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[REDACTED] ON JUNE TWENTY SEVEN, CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT
ADVISED LILLIAN DUNAWAY INFORMED TED HALPERIN THEY WERE GOING OUT TO THE
WETLERS FARM FOR WEEKEND. SHE REQUESTED TED TO TELL MAURICE HALPERIN THEY
WAS A FRIEND OF HIS VISITING THEM NAMED JOE JOSEPHS, PHONETIC. THIS
INDICAL POSSIBLY IDENTICAL SUBJECT J. JULIUS JOSEPH. (ON NIGHT JUNE TWENTY
JANE KEENEY WAS CONTACTED BY ONE URSULA, NYC, BELIEVED TO BE
WASSERMAN, WHO INDICATED SHE IS VISITING WASHINGTON MONDAY AND WILL
BE WITH KEENEY. URSULA STATED SHE RECEIVED JOES LETTER. ALSO THAT SHE
RETURNED A WEEK AGO. SHE STATED SHE WANTED TO SEE DAN MELCHER, PHONETIC,
BELIEVED TO BE DANIEL MELCHER, DIRECTOR, NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR ATOMIC
INFORMATION.) ON JUNE TWENTY SEVEN, INFORMANT ADVISED OLYA MARGOLIAN RECALLED
THAT THE PERSON SHE KNEW WHO WORKS WITH NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR ATOMIC
INFORMATION WAS CYNTHIA DIERKES, WHO IS GOING AWAY FOR SUMMER. OLYA STATED

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SHE ATTENDED COCKTAIL PARTY AT MRS. ROBERT ~~BACONS~~ AND JENNIE MENTIONED SHE MET THE MR. ~~HIGGINBOTHAM~~, ACCENTING THE WORD THE. ON JUNE TWENTY SEVEN, EDWARD FITZGERALD CHATTED WITH WIFE IN WASHINGTON. INDICATED MAY RETURN TO WASHINGTON SATURDAY. REBEKAH STATED GEORGE AND SARAH ~~SILVERMAN~~ WERE VISITING HER. THIS IS FIRST EXCHANGE OF VISITS BETWEEN FITZGERALD AND SILVERMAN RECALLED. BUREAU ADVISED. (X) u

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TITLE NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, with aliases, et al			CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R (REFER 51S)	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

NO
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BEATRICE MAGDOFF arrived Detroit, Michigan, 12:08 a.m., May 4, 1946, via American Airlines. Departed 3:41 p.m., May 7, 1946, via PCA Airlines decending to Washington, D. C. No unusual contacts noted during stay in Detroit. Information set out. CEDRIC BELFRAGE arrived Detroit, Michigan, May 22, 1946. Attended dinner given in honor of Reverend CLAUDE WILLIAMS. Visited offices of Peoples Institute of Applied Religion. Departed from Detroit 1:20 a.m., May 24, 1946, via United Airlines decending to New York City. Information set out.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent BOWEN F. ROSE dated June 17, 1946, at Detroit, Michigan.

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Teletype from New York City dated May 22, 1946, to Detroit.

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DETAILS:

BEATRICE MAGDOFF

May 4, 1946
12:08 a.m.

Subject arrived Detroit, Michigan, via American Airlines, Flight 26, and was met by two women, two girls and one man

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who were riding in a red Pontiac Sedan bearing license #BK-1496, issued to ISADORE KATZ of 3253 Rochester, Detroit, Michigan. Subject and party drove directly from Detroit City Airport to 3294 Waverly, Detroit, residence of MAURICE DUMBY and at 3:30 a.m. surveillance discontinued.

7:00 a.m. to No activity noted.
7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. Car bearing license #AG-4493, issued to MAURICE DUMBY, 3294 Waverly, Detroit, parked in front of 3294 Waverly and man entered the house.

9:10 p.m. Man driving car bearing license #AM-6329, issued to JACK MACCAMUD of 6633 Van Dyke, Detroit, parked same in front of house and man entered.

11:59 p.m. Surveillance discontinued.

May 5, 1946 During the day Subject was observed to be in the house at 3294 Waverly, Detroit. No activity noted.

5:10 p.m. Man and woman in car bearing License #UE-4196, issued to ERIN MALAMUD, 1751 Atkinson, Detroit, parked in front of house and occupants entered.

6:15 p.m. Subject left 3294 Waverly, Detroit, in car bearing license #AG-4493, issued to MAURICE DUMBY, and proceeded with the DUMBY family to the Russian Bear Restaurant, Detroit, for dinner.

8:20 p.m. Subject and party left Russian Bear Restaurant and drove to 4092 Sturtevant, Detroit, where it was noted a party was being held. 4092 Sturtevant, Detroit, is the residence of JACK MALAMUD.

The following cars were noted parked at this residence: UE-4196, issued to ERIN MALAMUD, 1751 Atkinson, Detroit; AC-1985, issued to JACK TUCKER, 3101 Oakman Boulevard, Detroit; UA-1232, issued to HARRY KORBKIN, 1930 Philadelphia, Detroit, Michigan.

11:59 p.m. Surveillance discontinued.

May 6, 1946 Spot checks made of 3294 Waverly, Detroit. No activity noted.

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Subject observed to board PCA Airlines Flight 24 at 3:41 p.m. scheduled to arrive in Washington, D. C. same date.

A check was made of the Detroit files and informants of the Detroit Field Division were contacted relative to any information pertaining to Subject or her contacts and the following information was obtained:

BETTY KATZ, 3253 Rochester, Detroit, presently employed at the National Maritime Union (CIO), 317 West Fort Street, Detroit; born, October 16, 1924, Brooklyn, New York.

ERIN MALAMUD, also known as ~~ARRON~~ MALAMUD, 1751 Atkinson,
Detroit. No information.

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JACK TUCKER, 3101 Oakman Boulevard, Detroit. Mr. TUCKER is a practicing attorney in Detroit who has been affiliated with the Communist movement.

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On September 6, 1935, he appeared at the Detroit Police Department to pick up confiscated Communist literature.

[REDACTED]

It is to be noted that only the files of the Detroit Field Division and the informants of this office were checked relative to any information pertinent to Subject or her contacts. No additional background investigation is contemplated relative to these individuals unless so requested by the office of origin in this case.

CEDRIC BELFRAGE

By referenced teletype dated May 22, 1946, the Detroit Field Division was requested by the New York Field Division to conduct a spot check surveillance of BELFRAGE unless he engaged in activities other than that of the Peoples Institute of Applied Religion.

The following information was obtained relative to BELFRAGE during his stay in Detroit, Michigan, as a result of a spot surveillance:

May 22, 1946 5:20 p.m.	BELFRAGE arrived Detroit, Michigan, via United Airlines, Flight 41.
5:25 p.m.	BELFRAGE entered Checker Cab #186 and proceeded directly to the Bethel Temple Church, 4230 Russell, Detroit, where a dinner was being held in honor of Reverend CLAUDE WILLIAMS.
7:15 p.m.	BELFRAGE and Reverend WILLIAMS were observed entering the church.
7:15 to 11:15 p.m.	It was noted that services were held within the church and dinner was served in the church basement. It was also observed that Reverend WILLIAMS was the main speaker of the evening. It was estimated that approximately 125 persons attended.
11:15 p.m.	BELFRAGE, Reverend WILLIAMS, and five other persons, all previously observed at the PIAR, left the church and proceeded to the Transportation Bar in the Transportation Building, Detroit, where they remained, having several drinks.

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May 23, 1946
1:30 a.m.

BELFRAGE, Reverend WILLIAMS and party proceeded to the Gotham Hotel (a colored hotel) where they remained until 2:10 a.m.

2:10 a.m.

BELFRAGE, Reverend WILLIAMS and a man believed to be FRANK G. VINCENT left the Gotham Hotel and proceeded to 17138 Greenlawn, Detroit, where they remained. 17138 Greenlawn is the residence of FRANK G. VINCENT.

3:00 a.m.

Surveillance discontinued.

10:10 a.m.

BELFRAGE and Reverend WILLIAMS were observed leaving 17138 Greenlawn, Detroit, and they proceeded directly to the PIAR, 420 Transportation Building, Detroit, Michigan.

4:45 p.m.

BELFRAGE and Reverend ERNEST ARTHUR walked to the State Liquor Store, Congress Street, between Shelby and Wayne, Detroit, where they were observed making purchases and thereafter returned to the PIAR.

5:30 p.m.

Surveillance discontinued.

May 24, 1946
12:10 a.m.

BELFRAGE was observed arriving at the Detroit City Airport alone.

1:20 a.m.

BELFRAGE departed on United Airlines Flight #8 with a ticket for New York City.

2:10 a.m.

The New York Field Division was telephonically advised relative to Subject's departure.

FRANK G. VINCENT

The files of the Detroit Field Division reflect that Mr. VINCENT has been observed in the company of known Communists in the Detroit area. His residence address is 17138 Greenlawn, Detroit.

Reverend ERNEST ARTHUR

Reverend ARTHUR is associated with the PIAR. Additional background investigation relative to Reverend ARTHUR was submitted in a previous report.

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THE DETROIT FIELD DIVISION

At Midland, Michigan:

Will identify and furnish available background
information on CHARLES FINK, 217 Helen Street

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Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo

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[REDACTED] ON JUNE TWENTY ONE CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED
FITZGERALD INDICATED TO MOTHER HE IS CHANGING POSITION AND GOING
UP TO OFFICE OF SECRETARY. INDICATED JOB WOULD HAVE PROBLEMS AND
INVOLVED COMPLICATIONS WITH PRESENT WORK. SUBSEQUENTLY, IN
CONVERSATION WITH ED STONE, FITZGERALD INDICATED PHIL RAUSER HAD
PROMISED TO DO EVERYTHING HE COULD TO GET FITZGERALD SURVEY DIVISION
BEFORE THE SECRETARY LEAVES AND WITHOUT MIKE FEEHAN BUT FITZGERALD
FEELS PHIL CANNOT PRODUCE. ON SUNDAY, JUNE TWENTY TWO, SUBJECTS KAPLAN
AND MAGDOFF VISITED FITZGERALDS HOME FOR CONFERENCE WITH LATTER. ON
JUNE TWENTY TWO CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS ADVISED AL PRAGO CONTACTED ROSE
GREGG, WHO ADVISED GREGGS ARE GOING UP HOME FOR SUMMER. PRAGO STATED
JOE [REDACTED] INDICATED HE EXPECTED TO QUIT HIS POSITION AND THOUGHT
IT SMARTEST THING TO DO UNDER [REDACTED] CIRCUMSTANCES. ROSE COMMENTED,
SOONER OR LATER IT WOULD COME SO WE TOOK THE PLUNGE. PRAGO HOPED THEY
WOULD MOVE TO NEW YORK AS IT WAS BAD BUSINESS SEEING EACH OTHER THIS
WAY. PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE ON JUNE TWENTY THREE DISCLOSED THAT GREGG

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ATTENDED WEDDING AT JEWISH WAR VETERANS HOME BETWEEN AL PRAGO AND RUTH
SCHWARTZ, GREGGS RETURNING HOME AFTER WEDDING CEREMONY. [REDACTED]

Letter Fred Lyons 2nd
[REDACTED] ON JUNE 61
TWENTY ONE CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED [REDACTED] MARY JANE KEENEY
INVITED MISS LOIS CARLYLE TO DINNER. HOWEVER, LOIS DECLINED AS SHE IS
MEETING CIO LAWYER AND OTHERS TO DRAW UP STATEMENT ON NEW PERSONNEL
POLICY OF STATE DEPARTMENT. SHE STATED THEN SHE WAS GOING TO HEAR
SENATOR PEPPER AT LABOR RALLY ON OPA. SAME SOURCE INDICATED KEENEY
HAS WOMAN VISITOR, APARENTLY ONE MRS. E. L. FREEMAN, WHO MADE TRAIN
RESERVATION FOR CHICAGO TUESDAY, JUNE TWENTY FIVE. ON JUNE TWENTY TWO
KEENEY TOLD BEA SHE WILL RESIGN SOON BUT IS NOT GOING TO JAPAN AS SHE
IS ~~INTERESTED~~ INTERESTED IN SOMETHING HERE. BEA STATED BOB, APPARENTLY
FRIEND, HAD ATTENDED AVC CONVENTION IN IOWA AND WAS PLEASED WITH
[REDACTED] RESULTS, BEING ESPECIALLY SOLD ON BOB ~~ATHAN~~ ^{ATHAN}, WHO ATTENDED. [ON
JUNE TWENTY TWO INFORMANT ADVISED BEA, PROBABLY BEA HOWELL, CONTACTED
TENNEY ADVISING SHE WAS GOING TO SEE RUTH ~~CHERIN~~ ^{CHERIN} AND COULD NOT WAIT
FOR JOHNNY. SUBSEQUENTLY, INDICATED LATTER IS JOHN HOWELL, HER
BROTHER, WHO IS GOING TO WORK FOR STATE. LATER TENNEY ADVISED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] RUTH CHERIN THAT EVEN HER OFFICE DOES NOT KNOW THAT SHE IS] 7/6/4

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LEAVING, APPARENTLY REFERRING TO TENNEY HERSELF. LOCAL CITY DIRECTORY
INDICATES RUTH CHERIN IS WIFE OF WILLIAM CHERIN, ONE FIVE ONE NINE
THIRTY FIFTH STREET, N.W., WHO WAS IN DEPARTMENT JUSTICE IN NINETEEN
FORTY THREE.

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*cc. Mr. 8222
Mr. C. L. L. L.*

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: June 28, 1946

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

SUBJECT: GREGORY
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Re: WILLIAM LUDWIG ULMANN

From a highly confidential source known to agents of the Washington Field Office, certain effects of WILLIAM LUDWIG ULMANN were made available. Enclosed herewith is a copy of a letter apparently from SOL ADLER to FRANK COE. It is to be noted from the postscript that this letter was placed on the plane by a boy from the Treasury Department, Chungking, China, and did not pass through the Censor's Office.

Inasmuch as informant Gregory indicated SOL ADLER's activity in furnishing information, a copy of this letter is being furnished to the Bureau for whatever purpose it may serve.

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Members of Board:
Kwang-chu Chen
(Chairman)

James H. Fox
E. L. Hall-Patch

STABILIZATION BOARD OF CHINA

Central Bank Building

TACHENKOU, CHUNGKING

Nov. 22, 1941

VIA AIR MAIL

Dear Frank:

Am dashing this off to catch the mail leaving this afternoon; as there is a lot to say, shall be as brief and to the point as possible.

Your letter arrived a few days ago and it was indeed welcome. Unfortunately the advice on the need for the preservation of harmony reached me much too late, as my last letter to you indicated. On the other hand, the news that the Division was actively participating in the drafting of licenses, etc. was extremely encouraging and the concrete manifestations of such activity even more so.

The new licenses represent a great step forward, and every one connected with working them out deserves congratulating. Please tell Bernard Bernstein this. K. P. Chen was very happy about them and said they represented one of Fox's real contributions. I know the Chinese Government deeply appreciates them and that they helped to stave off and clamp down hostile criticism of the Board at a time when it was gathering momentum.

At the meeting of the People's Political Council this week the Board was criticised for (a) giving any support at all to Shanghai, and (b) for having its operating headquarters in Hong Kong instead of Chungking. While these views reflect those of the Generalissimo, they also constitute organized attempts to divert attention from other things which are not above criticism and to concentrate criticism on the Ministry of Finance. These criticisms also put Fox in a peculiar position, for he, of all members of the Board, with the exception of K.P., is the one who is strictest in allocating exchange to Shanghai and who is most sympathetic to the idea that Chungking should be the operating headquarters. As far as Shanghai is concerned, whatever one does one is between the devil and the deep blue sea. Chungking is now dead set against any support for Shanghai; Shanghai, on the other hand, is very resentful and feels that it hasn't been given enough. Fox feels that in the circumstances of the last three months the policy the Board has pursued is the only realistic one. Any official indication from Washington that it favors greater strictness would be a great help. That is why your last message is so encouraging. Our ambassador you know is strongly in favor of continued support.

For the information of the Division I kept detailed notes on my conversations with Cochran, the gist of which I am here appending.

Nov. 8: Cochran told me the origin of his visit, I think. He and Sir Otto are old friends, and when Otto arrived in Washington, he indicated to C. he was very anxious for an American to accompany him. C. tried to get a number of people, but no one was available. At the last minute Otto asked C. if he could come; C. asked Hall and the Secretary, and at a moment's notice the Secretary consented. Otto, according to C., was very anxious to cooperate

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the Americans. Ten years ago, according to Otto, it might have been different. Then there would have been competition, and the selfish British banking colonial and imperialist elements would have finally decided British policy. Now the British, said C, reporting to O., have no axe to grind. America has been so decent to England with respect to her dollar position that the British wouldn't even think of trying to cut us out. The U.S. and the V.I. now have the same interests at heart and should try to work together. C. encouraged me to see as much of Sir O. as I could. Sir O., he said, is brilliant, selfless, hard-working, self-contained, on top of his job, and in addition is a man who pushes and develops younger men. C. alluded briefly to his tea with the Generalissimo. C. had done most of the talking. The G'issimo had pressed him on Shanghai, and he had replied: "As far as I am concerned, you can cut Shanghai off tomorrow, but you must know what you are doing."

Nov. 9: The G'issimo invited C, Xattimore and myself to dinner. Before dinner the G. began his conversations with C. He alluded to C's conversations with Kung earlier in the day. (You must of course have already heard from C. that Kung made four specific proposals to him). After an interlude for dinner the G. indicated that as far as the military situation was concerned they were confident that with the military assistance they were getting they would not be defeated. But the economic situation was indeed gloomy. Perhaps if things continued as at present there might be even an economic collapse within three months (?). What made matters worse was that whereas in the military field one could always withdraw from a piece of territory lost to the enemy further into the interior without serious dislocation, in the economic sphere if a collapse should come it would hit the whole economy. It might even make the continuation of resistance impossible. Here was the United States spending a large sum of money on military assistance to China; this military assistance was essentially simple to apply. But in the economic sphere the picture was quite different. If economic collapse were to ensue, America's military assistance to China might be dissipated. The economic situation was grave and demanded some definite remedial policy. This, said the G., was his message. His note throughout was emphasis on the gravity of the economic problems confronting China. C's reply was that military science was an exact science, but that in economics we are still moving in uncharted spheres. He also indicated that as far as prices in Shanghai and the black markets in Hong Kong and Shanghai are concerned, there was no need to be unduly upset. (?) Freezing and exchange control were still recent phenomena, and it will take a little time for things to settle down, (which does not exactly bear on the grave economic problems to which the G. was referring). C. assured the G. of American cooperation.

C. and I. left at 10 p.m. and we had an hour together. He asked me how he had made out and if he had said anything wrong. I replied he had done an excellent job in difficult circumstances. He discussed tea and said while he had done a good job, his cables were not so good as the work he was doing. He strongly indicated that Shanghai must be supported; he said he had told Sir O. to do everything he could in his kin to prevent withdrawal of support from Shanghai. The Japs were quieting down, and

... a sense the President's statement that he was considering the withdrawal of marines was inopportune. Of course, if the Fund ran out, more money might be advanced if necessary.

Again the Division should know what a high Chinese Government official told me, namely that they couldn't quite make out the purpose of C's visit. At first they thought he was part of a joint economic mission, and they later realized that was not the case. What had made them believe he was, was his conduct in Sir O's presence. Of course as you know he and Sir O are old friends, and what with Sir O's seniority ill, he had conducted himself in a manner which induced the belief in the Chinese that he was junior.

The above is a purely factual report which I am sure will give the Division the basic data!

Taylor is arriving from Vunang this evening for a couple of days. Fox is telling him that he is very lucky to have the opportunity to visit the States which was probably arranged for him by Nicholson who as you know unfortunately passed away a couple of weeks ago.

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It is important to realize with respect to 2048 that his peculiar combination of obtuseness and unscrupulousness makes whatever he has to say hopelessly unreliable. I do hope with all my heart and soul that other matters do not turn out as higgledy-griglesby as this one did.

You must be well aware of the fact that Fox and I get on extremely well. The strain on him has been very great, but he has indeed stood up well against all the difficulties and obstacles he has encountered. His tremendous vitality has stood him in good stead. A lesser man would not have been equal to it, but he has come out of it all with flying colors. Emil and I are of course thick as thieves and all eye to eye.

I hope to have the opportunity to write at greater length both to White and to you in the near future. Please give Mr. White my congratulations on his appointment as Assistant to the Secretary and also my kindest regards. With warmest regards to Nora, Lisdie, Robert, and Anthony and yourself.

Sincerely yours

Sol

For it has at the whole
 now become very Shanghai-minded. This is a
 hard drinking and fast living machine. It is a
 machine, especially when juxtaposed with being too large for

I have met every member of the Board here. Chen you know. He is very good but he is a little older and is apt to get discouraged, though Fox sustains him. Pai is a very smart fellow and Tai is a Central Bank man with a European veneer of culture. Hall-Patch is not a lightweight nor a makeshift. As you know, Rogers was given the job of special financial adviser to the Government of the Crown Colony of Hong Kong, and is supposed to be running the exchange control. All the Board now is in Hong Kong except for its General Secretary who is on his way here from Chungking.

I take it for granted that you are keeping at least half an eye on the Far Eastern work of the Division. I know you must all be terribly busy with the economies of the four corners of the world, not to mention inflation at home, on your shoulders. Nevertheless, it would be a terrible pity if you can't afford to devote a small fraction of your time to keeping us current, especially now that the Board is operating and the freezing has actually gone through. The question of the Agency is of vital importance and something should have happened or been done before this letter reaches you. Bernie's solution is a very bright one as a temporary palliative. Next the new plan which encourages extending the functions of the Central Bank with respect to remittances and imports is bound to run up against the appalling inefficiency of that Confucian institutes. It is all very well to propose improving and strengthening the personnel, but merely proposing is not enough. Perhaps recommendations from your side might help.

You might be interested to know Shanghai's reactions to the Board. The Shanghai Finance and Commerce, which it is reported is helped along by Mackay of National City, Shanghai, is fiercely and furiously anti-Board. Here are a few excerpts: "There apparently is no reason why exchange should not be sold to Japanese nationals resident in Shanghai for normal and legitimate trade purposes" (Aug. 20). Referring to Fox's visit to Shanghai — "such academic views"; "mess and muddle"; "Mr. Taylor, who is one of the American representatives associated with Mr. Mamet Fox in the work of the Stabilization Board but is himself not a member of that Board, is in Shanghai, and according to all accounts, has done all that was humanly possible to get the financial machinery working satisfactorily" (Aug. 27). "Free China . . . can very well be left to look after itself" (Aug. 29). "Mr. Taylor hustled off to Hong Kong in order to see what improvements could be effected" (Sept. 3). And Finance and Commerce of Sept. 10 quoted in yesterday's Hong Kong papers talks about the "unending trials, difficulties and tribulations" ahead of Shanghai under the new Board regulations. As far as the Board and Shanghai are concerned, your story of Leon Henderson as an ornithologist is 100% relevant, and it is the Board which is apt to be the female. The 2 men F.F.C. sent out to Shanghai and H.K. for a week or two have no background worth mentioning, and they are consequently bewildered and somewhat out of their depth. Therefore, any reports they bring back — particularly about the functioning of the Board and the reaction in Shanghai — should be heavily discounted.

UTILIZATION BOARD OF CHINA

Central Bank Building
Taomenkou, Chungking

c/o American Consulate General
Hong Kong
September 12, 1941

As you know Fox arrived in Manila at the end of August to establish direct contact with Washington. Fortunately his boat was held up for a few days and he was able to have several useful discussions with the other end which helped clarify the situation considerably. This was really a lucky break as previously there had been little or no interchange of opinions. It was a pity White was out of Washington at the time, as his familiarity with Far Eastern monetary problems would have contributed not a little to the discussions. It was all the more unfortunate that your absence coincided with his, as no one from our Division sat in on the exchange of opinions. In any case, the whole situation is now very much improved, though there are a lot of ticklish problems outstanding, to put it mildly.

Authorization for my trip from Manila to Hong Kong was cleared just in time for me to catch the boat. It appears that I am assigned to the Treasury to assist Fox on economic problems in general and freezing in particular. My headquarters will be Chungking. I shall probably shuttle back and forth to and from Hong Kong. This suits me admirably, particularly as Fox and I get on very well. There is one thing, however, which I should appreciate being attended to — I have received no salary payment since July 23, my checks presumably accumulating in Mrs. Shamahan's desk. That is all very well, and it is probably not advisable to have them sent out to me. But it should be possible to have say \$500 or \$1,000 (U.S.) made available to me by telegraphic transfer c/o the Embassy, Chungking against my per diems and/or my future salary, or even against past checks not received by me, if necessary. The last payment I received was in Manila for my per diems up to the end of August, and it barely enabled me to clear my hotel and tailor's bills.

And now for a few random observations. Working conditions here are very difficult; communications with Washington are, at best, slow, and in Chungking the frequent air raids this summer have made matters much worse. The web of intrigue is excruciatingly tangled on all sides. In the face of very great obstacles, Fox — I have the impression — has done a splendid job. He has earned the respect and affection of the Chinese members of the Board, and he is undoubtedly the dominant personality at the Board meetings with the power to swing sufficient support to settle many crucial issues. He is, however, extremely sensitive about Washington's response or lack of response. Some indication, however mild, of Washington's interest and better still, appreciation, would mean a hell of a lot to him and would, I am sure, have an extremely beneficial effect. The enormous difficulties and often apparently insuperable obstacles do not discourage or frighten him, on the contrary; but tardiness of communication and absence of response will tend to depress him, if sustained over any length of time.

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By the way I didn't realize how good working conditions are in Washington -- all my old complaints about stenographic assistance are hereby withdrawn in toto. I hope you don't find this letter too illegible. With best wishes and regards,

Yours,

Sal

P.S. This letter is put on the plane by a boy from the Treasury here and does not pass through the censor's office.

P.P.S. 13 th Sept, Chaoting Chi, the Secretary, arrived late last night from Chungking with harrowing stories of the bombings. I had a long talk with him this morning, as a result of which I see no need to change or modify any of the above.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT ADVISED ON JULY EIGHT JUDY HALPERIN INFORMED THAT MAURICE HALPERIN BOUGHT THEIR HOUSE SUNDAY MORNING AND SOLD

IT SUNDAY EVENING. HOWEVER, IT WILL TAKE TWO MONTHS TO CLEAR TITLE.

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SAME DATE INFORMANT ADVISED MAURICE HALPERIN HAS FOUND NOTHING NEW ON

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THE HOUSING SITUATION IN NEW YORK AND WILL COME HOME TO WASHINGTON EVERY

FRIDAY NIGHT THROUGH SUNDAY. ON JULY EIGHT MARY JANE KEENEY ARRANGED

LUNCHEON APPOINTMENT ONE FORTYFIVE P.M. THAT DATE WITH MRS. PHILIP G.

BOYD AT THE TALLY HO TEA ROOM. ON JULY EIGHT A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE

INFORMED THAT ALLAN ROSENBERG HAD JUST RETURNED TO WASHINGTON AND INFORMED

HIS WIFE ERNA HE WAS ON THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE OF WHICH RUFUS MORAN,

PHONETIC, WAS CHAIRMAN. ALLAN STATED QUOTE WE ADOPTED A RESOLUTION

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[VIGOROUSLY CONDEMNING TOM CLARK, ATTORNEY GENERAL, AND ASKING FOR HIS REMOVAL UNLESS HE CHANGES HIS POLICY UNQUOTE. ALLAN FURTHER INFORMED ERMA THAT THE QUOTE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL WENDELL BERGE UNQUOTE PROMPTLY JOINED THE GUILD, PARENTHESIS NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD CLOSE PARENTHESIS, AND THAT SENATOR PEPPER ALSO JOINED. THE SAME SOURCE ADVISED ON JULY EIGHT MIKE, PROBABLY MIKE GREENBERG, ASKED ALLAN ROSENBERG FOR WALTER PLOUTT'S, PHONETIC, ADDRESS IN NYC AS MIKE IS GOING TO NYC AND WOULD LIKE TO SEE HIM. ALLAN ADVISED MIKE THAT PLOUTT'S ADDRESS MIGHT BE CARE OF REESE, PHONETIC, BROTHERS OR PERHAPS DAVE LEVITAN COULD TELL MIKE. LEVITAN IS AT THE UNITED NATIONS. ON JULY EIGHT MRS. M. I. WILSON, APPARENTLY AN OLD ACQUAINTANCE, CONTACTED HELEN SILVERMASTER. ON THE SAME DATE TED HALPERIN AND DAVE WAHL MADE TENTATIVE ARRANGEMENTS TO DRIVE IN WAHL'S CAR TO NYC LEAVING WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON OR EVENING AND RETURNING FRIDAY NIGHT OR SATURDAY MORNING. THIS ARRANGEMENT WAS CONDITIONED UPON WHETHER THE DUNAWAYS WOULD ALSO ACCOMPANY WAHL AND TED. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED

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ON AFTERNOON JUNE NINETEEN CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED ROSE ~~STATE TODAY~~

GREGG TOLD MAURICE HALPERIN SHE HAD WORKED FOR ONE SLAWSON, PHONETIC

AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS, WHO IS SMART OPERATOR AND TO BEWARE OF HIM

~~STATE TODAY~~

ROSE INDICATED THEIR SUMMER ADDRESS WOULD BE ~~STATE TODAY~~

PORT STANLEY, ONTARIO, CANADA. SHE STATED THEY WOULD STAY OVERNIGHT

AT LEAST IN NEW YORK ENROUTE WITH FRIENDS WHO RECENTLY BOUGHT

THEIR OWN HOME IDENTIFYING FRIENDS AS DAVID BOGDANOFFS. ROSE THOUGHT

HALPERIN MIGHT RENT HOUSE BOGDANOFFS ARE LEAVING. SHE STATED GREGGS

WILL BE THERE WEEKEND AFTER NEXT. ON JUNE NINETEEN INFORMANT ADVISED

HALPERIN AND BOB ROGERS CONFERRED AT LENGTH CONCERNING WORK AND

RATINGS STATE DEPARTMENT. HALPERIN MENTIONED HE HAD WRITTEN ONE

ZERO NINE TODAY BELIEVED TO BE GENERAL WILLIAM DONOVAN. HE STATED

HE ADVISED HE WAS IN BUSINESS AND HAD SENT THE THINGS HE PROMISED

ALSO AND THERE ARE OTHER DOCUMENTS RELATIVE TO SITUATION

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[DESCRIBED IN HIS LETTER. HALPERIN STATED HE WOULD GIVE THEM TO HIM PERSONALLY SINCE THEY ARE OF HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL NATURE. ON MORNING THIS DATE HALPERIN AND FAMILY DEPARTED WASHINGTON ENROUTE BOSTON VIA HALPERIN'S AUTOMOBILE ORANGE COLORED NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT DESOTO SEDAN, MARYLAND LICENSE FIVE FIVE FIVE DASH FIVE TWO FIVE. WILL STAY WITH RELATIVES SIX TWO ROGERS AVENUE, LYNN, MASS. BOSTON ADVISED PLANS TO REMAIN BOSTON UNTIL SUNDAY WHEN HALPERIN WILL GO NEW YORK TO REPORT FOR DUTY MONDAY WITH AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE. BOSTON REQUESTED TO SPOTCHECK HALPERIN'S ACTIVITY. ON JUNE NINETEEN INFORMANT ADVISED RUTH ~~SEEGAR~~ CONSULTED JENNY ~~MILLER~~ CONCERNING ~~FRIENDS~~ SCHOOL WHICH THEY CONSIDER LIBERAL SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN. JENNY ADVISED DR. ~~SAVITZ~~ IS HEAD. RUTH STATED SHE GAVE MILLERS AMONG OTHER REFERENCES JENNY MENTIONED IN NEW YORK THE PROGRESSIVE INTELLECTUALS ALL SEND THEIR CHILDREN TO THE LITTLE RED SCHOOL HOUSE AND TOWN AND COUNTRY. ON JUNE NINETEEN HELEN SILVERMASTER CONVERSED WITH ONE MARGARET ~~HATFIELD~~ MENTIONING ANATOLE WOULD RETURN TO WASHINGTON MONDAY WITH SIX YOUNG PEOPLE TO ATTEND FOUR DAYS SCHOOL AT WILLARD HOTEL, APPARENTLY PAC POLITICAL SCHOOL. HELEN MENTIONED MADAME ~~LUGUET~~, WIFE OF FORMER FRENCH MILITARY ATTACHE HERE WHO WAS ~~ALSO~~ ONCE MILITARY ATTACHE TO RUSSIA. ON ~~SAME~~ SAME DATE GREGORY SILVERMASTER CONTACTED WIFE INDICATING HE WAS IN LOS ANGELES AND WOULD TAKE TRAIN THAT NIGHT TO SAN FRANCISCO. PLANS TO RETURN HOME WITHIN WEEK.] ~~u~~

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ON JULY TWO, INFORMANT ADVISED EDWARD FITZGERALD CONTACTED FRANCES FUCHS INDICATING HE HAD RETURNED FROM NEW YORK AND MADE ARRANGEMENTS FOR FRANCES TO KEEP HIS DAUGHTER IN THE EVENT THE FITZGERALDS HAVE TO LEAVE FOR NEW YORK IMMEDIATELY. FRANCES INDICATED HERBERT FUCHS WILL ATTEND LAWYERS GUILD CONVENTION IN CLEVELAND FRIDAY. ON EVENING JULY ONE, SUBJECT J. JULIUS JOSEPH OBSERVED IN COMPANY TWO WOMEN AND SERGEANT, USA, LATTER DRIVING NINETEEN FORTY SIX FORD SEDAN, MASSACHUSETTS FIVE NINE EIGHT THREE FOUR NAUGHT, IDENTIFIED AS GERALD GILLERMAN, AMPUTEE. GILLERMAN AMONG SPEAKERS AT WATERGATE CONCERT GIVEN BY WIN THE PEACE CONFERENCE RECENTLY, BEING INTRODUCED BY REV. STEPHEN ERICKMAN, EDITOR OF THE CHRISTIAN REGISTER, BOSTON. HIS TALK DEALT MOSTLY WITH THE PLEA THAT CONGRESS PASS A LAW AUTHORIZING AUTOMOBILE FOR EVERY AMPUTEE. GILLERMAN APPEARED ON PLATFORM WITH CRUTCHES GIVING APPEARANCE BADLY CRIPPLED WHEREAS ON EVENING JULY ONE HE APPEARED TO MOVE WITH EASE.

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[REDACTED] ON JULY TWO, CONFIDENTIAL b1
INFORMANT ADVISED MACDOFF CONTACTED FATHER JOLINVILLE TWO NINE FOUR TWO
TWO INDICATING HE WOULD STAY IN NEW YORK CITY WEDNESDAY NIGHT AND SEE
FATHER THURSDAY AND STAY UNTIL SUNDAY NIGHT. ON JULY ONE, CONFIDENTIAL
SOURCE ADVISED ANNE REMINGTON SENT OPA TELEGRAMS TO SENATORS TAFT AND
WHERRY. ON SAME DATE, ANNE CALLED JANE, PROBABLY JANE HAMMER, WHO STATED
THEY WANTED TO HAVE GET TOGETHER SOON AND HER HUSBAND WANTED TO HAVE ONE
OF THE RUSSIANS WITH WHOM HE WORKS AT UNRRA COME OUT FOR TALK.

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SOURCE ADVISED LAUCHLIN CURRY, NYC, CONTACTED SILVERMAN STATING HE SAW
MINISTER TODAY AND HE IS VERY INTERESTED. HE STATED THEY HAVE THE PEOPLE
RIGHT IN THE OFFICIAL BRAZILIAN MISSION WORKING ON IT, APPARENTLY REFERRING
TO SALE OF GOODS. LOCH INQUIRED IF THAT GIRL IS IN IT, APPARENTLY MEANING [REDACTED] u

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CHARLOTTE ~~SLAVIT~~ AND SILVERMAN INDICATED AFFIRMATIVE. CURREY STATED HE HAD SOME TURKISH CONTACTS WHO WANTED TO KNOW IF STOCK COULD BE CONVERTED STANDARD, APPARENTLY TALKING ABOUT RAILROAD EQUIPMENT. HE STATED HE HAD INQUIRIES FROM TURKEY FOR ALL SURPLUS GOODS AND INDICATED IT LOOKS PRETTY GOOD ON FLAT CARS. NO INFORMATION CONCERNING ^ΦHELEN TENNEY RECEIVED PAST TWO DAYS FROM INFORMANT. ON JUNE TWENTY NINE, HELEN INDICATED SHE WOULD LEAVE FOR NEW YORK BY TUESDAY NIGHT JULY TWO AT LATEST AND WOULD STAY THERE OVER WEEKEND. [REDACTED]

AT NOON, JULY TWO, WASSERMAN WENT TO WILLARD ROOM, HOTEL WILLARD, WITH CAROLYN BERNHARD, CORRECT SPELLING, BEING LATER JOINED BY CHARLES H. BERNHARD, JESUS PINERO AND UNIDENTIFIED MAN.

UNTIL SIX P. M., PARTIALLY INCERLATED, AND THEREAFTER PROCEEDED TO AIRPORT WHERE SHE DEPARTED FOR NYC VIA EAL SEVEN FIFTY FIVE P. M. ON JULY TWO, INFORMANT ADVISED MARY JANE KERRY CONTACTED METROPOLITAN BROADCASTING

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[COMPANY REQUESTING STOCK APPLICATION BLANKS ^{CL} ~~BY~~ SENT WILLIAM L. ULLMAN,
ROBERT SCHWARTZ AND GREGG SILVERMASTER. SHE INDICATED SHE HAD NOT SEEN
*ERECKHOFF, PHONETIC. ON SAME DATE KEENEY MADE INQUIRY AT UNKNOWN PLACE
FOR HENRY COLLINS PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED THIS CASE. ON SAME DATE, MARY
JANE WAS CONTACTED BY ONE MIKE MAKING ARRANGEMENTS TENTATIVELY FOR TWO
DAY TRIP ALONG COAST AT SECLUDED PLACE. MARY JANE INDICATED SHE HAD
DINNER DATE THAT EVENING WITH BERNIE WORTMAN TO MEET HIS SISTER IN LAW.
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CEDRIC BELFRAGE still endeavoring to depart for Europe. **BELFRAGE** in Detroit 5/22-24/46. **ABE BROTHMAN** reported to be working on technical project for Soviet government.

Information from effects of **URSULA WASSERMAN** received from confidential source set forth.

RAY ELSON resigned position with **NPCL** 5/17/46, presently employed Scientific Instrument Company, NYC. Informant **GREGORY** advised **ELSON** decided against UN employment and was concerned over possible FBI investigation of her application because of what may turn up in her background. Information from effects of **RAY ELSON** received from confidential source set out. Contacts of **JOSEPH GREGG** in NY 4/26-30/46 set out. Informant **GREGORY** in Montreal, Canada 5/28-6/4/46. No significant activities of **ALEXANDER KORAL** noted. No significant contacts made by **MAURICE HALPERIN** while in NY 5/28-29/46. Rent for **OLGA PRAVDIN** apartment presently being paid by **TASS NEWS AGENCY**. Pictures secured from apartment by confidential source being shown to Informant **GREGORY** for identification purposes. Other information obtained set out. Correspondent of **RUTH RIFKIN** identified as **HERBERT JOSEPH CONHAID**, formerly **UNRRA** representative. **ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN** in NY 4/26-4/30 and 5/9,10/46. **NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER** in NY 5/27-29/46 and spent time on business.

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Of War Assets Administration. Confidential source advised contents of his brief case contained business papers pertaining to War Assets Administration. Dr. ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN continued contacts with prominent Communists.

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RE: CEDRIC HENNING BELFRAGE (u)

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent LAWRENCE W. SPILLANE, covering the period from May 1, to May 31, 1946: (u)

X Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised that on May 4, 1946, Mrs. BELFRAGE spoke to Mrs. ALLISON HOOPER of Lenox, Massachusetts, indicating that she desired Mrs. HOOPER'S assistance in getting them passage to England and most of all, return passage to the United States. Mrs. BELFRAGE made reference to the work Mrs. HOOPER was doing and indicated that it could not be discussed at that time. (u) b2 b7D

X This Informant further advised that on May 8, 1946, BELFRAGE spoke to JIM ARONSON, indicating that they could get a statement from EHRENBURG for their book about the Russian conception of freedom of the press. BELFRAGE stated that he heard EHRENBURG make a speech and upon speaking to him afterwards, EHRENBURG asked him to call him on the telephone. BELFRAGE stated that EHRENBURG is staying at the WALDORF ASTORIA HOTEL, and that he would be leaving for Chicago shortly. ARONSON suggested that they contact SHEP STONE, inasmuch as STONE was closeted with EHRENBURG for the greater part of a day. BELFRAGE said that in his speech, EHRENBURG mentioned that in Russia the war was spoken of in the past tense, and in the United States, it was spoken of in the future tense. (u)

X Mr. McDERMOTT, Credit Manager of the WALDORF ASTORIA HOTEL, advised that ILYA EHRENBURG registered at this hotel on April 29, 1946, and indicated that he was a correspondent from Moscow, Russia. He further indicated that EHRENBURG also registered with K. SIMINOV and General M. GALAKTINOV, who were also believed to be Russian correspondents. The files of the New York Field Division revealed that ILYA EHRENBURG was employed by the Overseas News Service as a correspondent to report the Russian-German war. He was also reported as correspondent for the Russian Army paper "Red Star," and was described as the most active journalist in Russia today. b2 b7D

On May 8, 1946, Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that BELFRAGE received a telegram from Los Angeles, California, reading as follows:

"Please airmail special copy script for strip film present form to CARETON MOSS, 191 North Bentley, West Los Angeles, Ca. /2/ CLAUDE (Claude Williams)" (u)

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On May 9, 1946, this Informant advised that BELFRAGE spoke to LYND WARD of Leonia, New Jersey, advising him that CLAUDE desired to have the film script sent to CARLTON MOSS. They then discussed an idea to write scripts for animated cartoons on Bible subjects. The files of the New York Field Division revealed that a confidential source advised that LYND WARD, 200 Clivista Heights, Leonia, New Jersey, was listed in the address book owned by JESSICA SMITH. WARD was also reported to be a sponsor of The Artist's Front to Win the War. *qu*

Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that on May 11, 1946, JACOB TURNER spoke to BELFRAGE and invited BELFRAGE to have dinner with him and his wife. TURNER indicated that he lives at 210 West 16th Street, New York City, and BELFRAGE advised that he understood that TURNER was enthusiastic about the work of CLAUDE WILLIAMS (People's Institute of Applied Religion). The files of the New York office revealed that a JACK TURNER, who is probably JACOB TURNER, was very interested in the work of CLAUDE WILLIAMS, and had donated a substantial amount of money to WILLIAMS for his organizational activities. JACOB TURNER, born in Chicago in 1895, received an A.B. degree from the University of Cincinnati in 1917, and he was ordained a Rabbi at the Hebrew Union College in 1918. TURNER is presently the president of the TURNER MANUFACTURING COMPANY, 225 5th Avenue, New York City, and his former wife is JEANETTE TURNER of 4144 48th Street, Woodside, Long Island, New York. *qu* b2
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These files further reflected that in [redacted] b1

Confidential Informant [redacted] stated that on May 14, 1946, LEON ADLE (phonetic) attempted to contact BELFRAGE and indicated that he had worked with BELFRAGE in Germany and that he would attempt to contact him at a later date. The files of the New York office failed to reveal any information regarding LEON ADLE. *qu* (C)
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The above Informant advised on May 17, 1946, that Mrs. BELFRAGE told LOUIS FISHER that DOROTHY THOMPSON, according to a source close to home, had gone completely and historically mad and that WALTER LIPPMAN is also going that way. Mrs. BELFRAGE told FISHER that she received her passport to travel. *qu*

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On May 18, 1946, this Informant advised that BELFRAGE told JIM ARONSON that he would forward the material on the background of the Fulda (phonetic) Paper that showed what the Catholics in Germany were really doing during the Nazi era. ARONSON mentioned that the material may not be on hand but was probably in Benslot (phonetic) file. BELFRAGE replied, "Well, we can easily steal them from the file." ARONSON indicated that he had a contact at Benslot who offered to get him any kind of information and he intends to approach this individual. *qu*

Confidential Informant *qu* stated that on May 21, 1946, BELFRAGE made an appointment to see MARK HERMER at the REEHL LITHO COMPANY, 305 East 45th Street, New York City. BELFRAGE indicated that he would see HERMER on the following day and they could arrange to have lunch together before BELFRAGE boarded the plane at 1:00 PM. *qu* *b2 b7D*

On May 22, 1946, BELFRAGE called his home and requested the maid to obtain the address in Detroit where he planned to be that evening. The maid told him that the address is Bethel M.E. Church, 585 Frederick, at St. Antonio. She further indicated that the meeting was set for 6:30 PM. *qu*

On May 22, 1946, Special Agents FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN and LAWRENCE W. SPILLANE observed BELFRAGE entering 305 East 45th Street, New York City at 11:25 AM. BELFRAGE and an unknown man, believed to be MARK HERMER, left 305 East 45th Street at 11:58 AM and were observed to enter the TOWN TOPICS TAVERN, 45th Street and 2nd Avenue, New York City. At 1:20 PM, BELFRAGE left the tavern and walked to the Airlines Terminal, 42nd Street and Park Avenue, New York City. He was overheard requesting information regarding Flight 41, United Airlines, leaving New York City at 1:45 PM Eastern Standard Time, and BELFRAGE was told that this flight arrived in Detroit, Michigan, at 5:28 Eastern Standard Time. BELFRAGE then indicated that he had to attend a meeting in Detroit at 6:15 PM Eastern Standard Time. At 2:05 PM, BELFRAGE boarded the Airlines Terminal Bus to LaGuardia Field, New York, and he was observed entering a United Airlines plane which left the field at 2:45 PM, destined for Detroit, Michigan. *qu*

A teletype was sent to the Detroit Field Division requesting that BELFRAGE'S activities while in the Detroit area be ascertained. *b2 b7D*

On May 26, 1946, Confidential Informant *qu* advised that LOUIS FISHER told Mrs. BELFRAGE that he was having dinner with that "well known Fascist LOVESTONE" and that the President's speech was vicious, reactionary and anti-labor. FISHER stated, "That's the Democrats for you, whom your friends the Communists are for." Mrs. BELFRAGE said that they were against TRUMAN. The Detroit Field Division advised BELFRAGE left Detroit, Michigan, on May 24, 1946. *qu*

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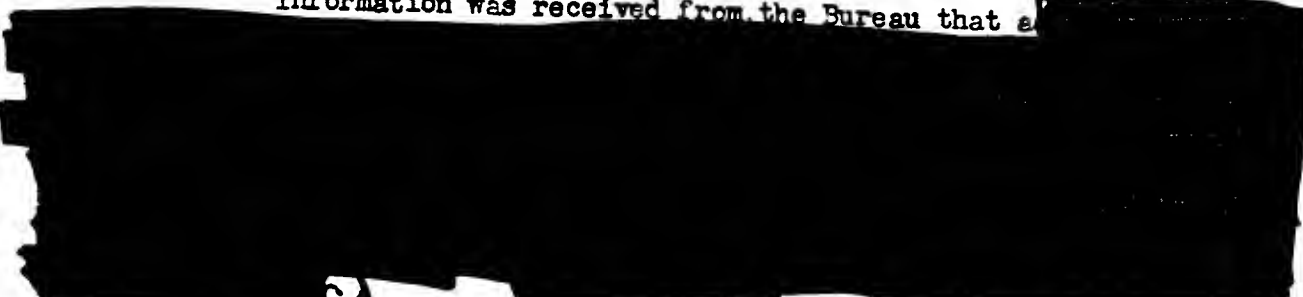
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On May 29, 1946, this Informant stated that BELFRAGE told JIM ARONSON that he read an interesting article in the Social Democrat paper which red baits DARNA, which was written by Dr. JOE BRUNER who claimed that DARNA is a red. It is believed that this article was one that was recently published in the American Occupation Zone in Germany. *qu*

On May 31, 1946, this Informant advised that ALBERT KAHN requested BELFRAGE to send him a letter indicating that he had bought BELFRAGE'S rights to the book "The Great Conspiracy." KAHN stated that his address is 245 West 25th Street, New York City, room 1K, and that they are publishing a cheap copy of "The Great Conspiracy" which will sell for \$1.00 on an advance order of 40,000 copies. BELFRAGE stated that he is doing a pamphlet for CLAUDE WILLIAMS entitled "The Chamber of Horrors" which will include the names of all persons in America who are using religion for Fascist purposes. KAHN suggested that BELFRAGE contact ARNOLD FOSTER of the Anti-Defamation League, inasmuch as he will have a complete file of names for "The Chamber of Horrors." *qu*

On the same date, FRANK WHITE, a member of The People's Institute of Applied Religion in New York City, told BELFRAGE that CLAUDE WILLIAMS was in New York and he requested BELFRAGE to come to New York City for a conference. *qu*

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The results of the mail cover placed on CEDRIC BELFRAGE at his home on Finney Farm, Croton-on-Hudson, New York, revealed that he received mail from the following individuals:

~~JIM~~ CHESTNUTT
The Call Bulletin
San Francisco, California

~~CLAUDE~~ WILLIAMS
c/o AGIM
2725 Woodhaven Avenue,
Hollywood, California

~~ALBERT~~ NOPDEN
291 Lafferts Avenue
Brooklyn, New York

~~ERNEST W.~~ ADLER
D-150579
Information Control Division OMC
Wuerttenburg - Baden
APO 154, c/o Postmaster, New York City

~~MELVYN~~ DOUGLAS and ~~HERMAN~~ LEVIN
5 East 57th Street
Suite 1700
New York City

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Re: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN
(Jules Korchien)
(Ursula Wasserman)

The following investigation of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN was conducted by Special Agents FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN and NICHOLAS M. KALMES and covers the period from May 1 to June 5, 1946, inclusive.

According to Confidential Informant [REDACTED] ABRAHAM BROTHMAN has continued in business at 114 East 32nd Street, New York City and has been actively engaged on various projects relating to plastics and resins. *C X & u b2 b7D*

On May 28, 1946 the aforementioned informant advised that a Mr. LECATUR (phonetic) was in contact with BROTHMAN and advised him that he had a letter from the Soviet Union addressed to a Mr. POWELL (phonetic). According to LECATUR, the letter confirmed what he and BROTHMAN had discussed at the meeting and it also itemized a few things that they (Soviet Union) want. LECATUR also wanted to know how BROTHMAN was making out on "that" proposal and BROTHMAN replied that he had someone working on it and it should be ready by the end of next week. LECATUR added that POWELL wanted to sit in with BROTHMAN after a draft is made of the proposal and before it is typed. LECATUR stated that POWELL is in Boston a great deal of the time. BROTHMAN then made the statement that he was getting up a description of his plastics for LECATUR and will make three copies of this description for the Russians. In conclusion LECATUR stated that he would mail to BROTHMAN a photostatic copy of the letter which he received from the Soviet Union. *C X & u*

On June 3, 1946, Confidential Informant [REDACTED] advised that ABE BROTHMAN had been in upper New York State somewhere for the weekend and that he was working on some job for the AMTORG people. No indication was given as to the type of work BROTHMAN was doing for AMTORG. *C X & u b2 b7D*

This same informant advised that on May 8, 1946 an individual from the American Airlines was in contact with BROTHMAN regarding an application which he had made for credit on the American Airlines and the credit was to be extended all over the United States. The informant was unable to advise what action BROTHMAN took regarding this extension of credit by the American Airlines. *C X & u*

On May 15, 1946 the aforementioned informant advised that ROSE REUBEN of the American-Russian Institute had a conference with BROTHMAN at which time REUBEN asked BROTHMAN if he could suggest or recommend some person who knew *C X & u*

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technical Russian. REUBEN stated that the American-Russian Institute issued a pamphlet describing the technical phases of Soviet industries and that they needed a person to translate from the Russian into English. BROTHMAN suggested the names of MATTHEW ZARRED, 48th Street, Sunnyside, Long Island and SHURA SWAN, no address given, but ROSE REUBEN indicated that she knew SWAN inasmuch as he had previously been an interpreter for technical commissions that had come to the United States from Russia. BROTHMAN then stated that an employee of his laboratory named BILL ROHALL, Aqueduct Avenue, Bronx, New York, had been used by his firm as a translator of Russian and that he thought that ROHALL could be used by REUBEN. REUBEN then stated that ANDY STEIGER of the American-Russian Institute was going with the UNRRA and would possibly go to China. *u* *EXX*

BROTHMAN has not indicated to date whether or not he is going to accept the offer made to him by the Kaiser Corporation which offer has been mentioned in previous reports in this case. *EXX* *u*

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Re: URSULA WASSERMAN

According to the latest information received from [REDACTED]

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The Miami Office has been requested to place stops with the Immigration and Naturalization Service and Customs in Miami and also to institute a surveillance of WASSERMAN upon her arrival in the United States.

On May 8, 1946 the following matter was obtained from a highly confidential source known to Special Agents FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN, NICHOLAS M. KALMES, HOWARD M. HAWKINS and Supervisor JAMES J. RYAN. On this date JULES KORCHIEN was under surveillance by Special Agents M. M. O'ROURKE and LAWRENCE W. SPILLANE.

A. A photographic copy of a Less Than 90 Days Efficiency Rating issued to URSULA WASSERMAN, a News Editor, CAF 12 of OWI, News and Features, Basic News Division. WASSERMAN's efficiency rating was stated to be very good and was signed by THEODORE KAGHAN, Division Chief. The date of the rating is June 15, 1944.

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B. A photographic copy of U. S. Income Tax Return for calendar year 1945, reflecting that WASSERMAN received the sum of \$3,180 from the ~~Committee of Jewish Writers~~ and \$480 from the ~~National Council of Scientific, Professional, Art, White Collar Organization~~, 1860 Broadway, New York City.

C. Photographic copy of a letter to Mrs. ANN L. BLOCK, 68-12 Yellowstone Boulevard, Forest Hills, New York. The letter gives authority to Mrs. BLOCK to deposit monies received from "the committee" in WASSERMAN's account at the National City Bank of New York, Washington Square Branch, or in her own account and send a check to WASSERMAN.

D. A photographic copy of a letter from one EDITH FATKA, Investment Advisory Department of Carl M. Loeb, Rhoades & Company, 61 Broadway, New York City. This letter, dated August 12, 1943, reflects that WASSERMAN has a small brokerage account with Carl M. Loeb, Rhoades & Company.

E. A photographic copy of WASSERMAN's Certificate of Naturalization #5963858, dated August 1, 1944.

F. A photographic copy of the following:

Official membership card for the year 1945, American Labor Party, 16 East 41st Street, New York, signed by EUGENE P. CONNOLLY, Secretary.

I.C.C.A.S.P. card advising WASSERMAN that she lives in the 16th Congressional District and her Congressman is ELLSWORTH B. BUCK.

A membership card for the period 1943 to 1945 in the United Office and Professional Workers of America, 1860 Broadway, signed by SIDNEY YOUNG and JOHN J. STANLEY.

A slip of paper containing the following copy:

Agents in B. A. Agencia Maritima Bosol
Buenos Aires, Argentina
Agents in Trinidad, Gomez and Miller
8 St. Vincent Street,
Port of Spain, Trinidad

G. A photographic copy of a personal history statement executed by WASSERMAN which reads as follows:

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"Ursula Wassermann
29 east 11 street
new york city

"EDUCATION

I attended schools in England, Switzerland, and Germany, and was privately tutored during frequent periods of travel. I have full command of German and French, and a reading knowledge of Spanish and Italian and some Czech.

- 1933-4 I attended college at Oxford, reading Modern Languages.
- 1934-7 I attended London University (History, Economics, Politics) and graduated from London University (History Hons.) in 1937.
- 1937-8 I did post-graduate work at the Institute for Historical Research and the School of Slavonic Studies, both of which are part of the University of London.
- 1938-9 I continued post-graduate studies at London and Princeton and
1940-2 at the Graduate Faculty of the New School for Social Research where I completed by credit work for a Ph.D. and am now writing my dissertation.

"AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- 1937 I was awarded the Pollard Prize in History (University of London award for the outstanding piece of original research during the preceding year.)
- 1938 Holder of the Cecil Peace Prize (this prize is given annually for the best treatise on international affairs, and is open to all students at all British universities. The award, in my case, was made for an essay on 'The Failure of the Disarmament Conference'.)
- 1938 Travelling fellowship to Czechoslovakia, granted by the British Federation of University Women.
- 1938-9 Research fellowship at the Institute of Advanced Study, Princeton.

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"
1940-2 Research fellowship at the Graduate Faculty of the New School for Social Research, New York City.

"PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1934 Assistant to the Passport Division of the Nansen Office, Geneva.

1934-5 Fund-raising and publicity work for the Society of Friends, London.

1935-7 Member of the London organizing committee of the International Students Service (this work entailed fund-raising, public speaking and travel to attend conferences in different countries.)

1937 Organizing secretary to the Open Door International (an organization that is part of the 'Equal Rights for Women' movement.)

1937-8 Publicity work for the International Peace Campaign (under the chairmanship of Lord Robert Cecil.)

1938 Executive Secretary to the English Committee for Austrian refugees (In charge of all fund-raising and publicity; travel for the organization)

1938 Instrumental in setting up the British Committee for refugees from Czechoslovakia.

1937-8 Assistant Lecturer at University College, University of London (German Department)

1936-8 Lecturer for the Workers Education Association (Politics and Government; these courses correspond to evening courses at American colleges; students attending these courses prepare for their degrees.)

Nov. '40-
Apr '41 Assistant editor to the Service Bureau for Intercultural Education. (writing and editorial work.)

Apr '41
- date Research Assistant to the Research Project on Totalitarian Communication (analysis of enemy broadcasts, writing and editorial work) The project was made possible by a grant from the Rockefeller Foundation and through the cooperation of the British Broadcasting Corporation.

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In addition to my academic training and professional experience listed, I have had experience in newspaper, radio and film work.

I have contributed to several English papers, and have acted as London correspondent to a Czech newspaper; I have done some broadcasting for the B.B.C. and have, for the past year, been in charge of radio activities of the Graduate Faculty of the New School for Social Research. This work included scriptwriting, broadcasting and the production of monthly radio forums; I have acted as script consultant to Metro Goldwyn Mayer in London, and am a reader of foreign language mss for a large literary agency in New York; I have also worked for individual publishers on a free-lance basis.

Since 1939, I have regularly reviewed books for the New York Herald Tribune; I have contributed to 'High Points', official publication of the New York Board of Education; for the past year, I have acted as translator and editor to Mr. Egon Kaskeline, special French correspondent of the Christian Science Monitor.

Periods of unemployment between 1938 and 1940 were due to the fact that owing to sufficient scholarship grants I was able to devote full time to my studies. "

H. A photographic copy of a credit slip from Carl M. Loeb, Rhoades & Company, reflecting the issuance of a check to URSULA WASSERMAN to the order of Dr. E. A. LOWE in the amount of \$300. (It appears from this slip that WASSERMAN account is carried by this firm under the name of Dr. E. A. LOWE, Fulldhall, Princeton, New Jersey.

I. A photographic copy of Power of Attorney the terms of which are being set out below:

"POWER OF ATTORNEY

"KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

"That I, John A. Boycott, of the County of _____, State of _____, do by these presents hereby make, constitute, and appoint Thomas H. Finigan, 700 Bennett Building, Kansas City, in the County of Wyandotte and State of Kansas, in the United States of America, for me and

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"In my name, and as my act and deed, to make a contract of marriage and exchange vows of matrimony between myself and Ursula Wassermann, New York, New York County, New York, daughter of Martin and Elsie Wassermann of Buenos Aires, Argentina, and to do all other things necessary or proper to be done in order to effect a state of marriage between myself and the said Ursula Wassermann.

"Granting and giving unto the said attorney in fact full authority and power to make proper answers in his appearance for me, and to do and perform all other acts necessary or incident to the performance and execution of the powers herein expressly granted, with power to do and perform all acts authorized hereby, as fully to all intents and purposes as I might do or could do if personally present:

"And I hereby for myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators, ratify and confirm and agree to ratify and confirm all acts done by my said attorney by virtue of these presents:

"IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this _____ day of _____, 1945.

"

John A. Boycott

Witnesses

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

"

In presence of:

SS:

"Before the undersigned _____ Consul or Vice Consul of the United States of America, at _____, duly qualified and commissioned, this day personally appeared at the place above named, John A. Boycott, who declared that he knew the contents of the foregoing instruments and acknowledged the same to be of his own free act and deed.

It is to be noted that this is a copy of what is believed to be the original proxy marriage between BOYCOTT and WASSERMAN.

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J. A photographic copy of a letter, dated August 9, 1943, from WASSERMAN to Miss ~~SHIRLEY FARR~~, The Arches, Brandon, Vermont, in which WASSERMAN advises that she was at the time of the letter residing in Washington on a temporary appointment with the International Labor Office and working for the Department of Labor. WASSERMAN also advises that she is engaged to JOHN BOYCOTT, who is an English physician and a major in the medical corps. She states that she hopes to marry him as soon as the fortunes of war permit. WASSERMAN also states that she started repayments on the loan which she states that Miss FARR gave her and is enclosing a check for \$50 with the letter.

K. A photographic copy of a telephone reference book which is believed to have been executed by JULES KORCHIEN.

" Artist Gallery Cir 7-3575 Althoff (Fransico & Jacobos) (?) Mu 2-0671 Ayash - 13 Astor Pl Gra 7-7391	" Barrows MU 2-0312 Breines Pl 3-6346 Budworth Col 5-2194
" H. Churchill Mu 2-5714 Connelly MU 3-3998 Cowan, Alvin R. Rh 4-9699 152 E. 82 60 E 42 Mu 2-7750 Chesney Tre 3-1978	" Feino (?) Co 5-6217
" Dr. M. Jacobsohn Reg 7-0977	" Geller Mu 5-9850 H. Glickstein Long 3-0900
" Mittleman Wo 2-3100	" Hughes, Ray Off: Hanover 2-1661 X 561
" George Nemeny Wo 2-0900 N. Y. State Housing Cir 7-9800	" Maj. Katzman Wis 7-9500 - Xt 129 25 w 43 Kirkpatrick Evergreen 8-4640
	" J. Proctor Wis 7-1093 J. Pollock El 5-4260

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" Hugo Stix
Walker 5-2700
Allen Shapiro
Tivoli 2-0918
Chel 2-3218
"

L. Photographic copy of three typewritten pages headed "Black Book" and containing the following names:

" BLACK BOOK

Mr. Philip O. Keeney
215 B. St. N.E.
Washington, D. C.

Mr. Jack Delano
110 Christopher St.
N.Y. 14

Mr. Edwin Roskam
10 Downing Street
New York City

Colonel Bernard Bernstein (get address from Hilliard
Bernstein, lawyer, NYC)

Mrs. Helen Lowe Porter (ask Pat)

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Bernstein
14 West 10 Street
NYC

Mr. Joseph Bernstein
41-36, 51 St.
Queens, NY

Lord Robert Cecil
16 South Eaton Place
London, S.W.1.

Mrs. Irene Dodal
781 Eighth Avenue
NYC

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Dr. A. de los Rios
292 W. 92 Street
NYC

~~X~~
Dr. and Mrs. Max Ascoli
27 Gramercy Park
New York City

~~X~~
Mr. John Durkee
Treasury Dept.
Washington, DC

(DIERKES)

~~X~~
Mr. Jack Fahy
Dept. of Interior
Washington, D.C.

~~X~~
Richard Ford Esq.
UNRRA, European Regional Office
11 Portland Place
London, W.1.

~~X~~
Dr. Ruth Gruber
Dept. of Interior
Washington, D.C.

~~X~~
Mr. Joseph Hanc
Czechoslovak Consulate
NYC

~~X~~
Mrs. Judith Neller
Old Preston House
Preston Place
Charlottesville, Va.

~~X~~
Mrs. Hella Bernays

~~X~~
Dr. Ernst Kris
135 Central Park West
NYC

~~X~~
Mr. Gordon Kashin
1591 Metropolitan Avenue
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" Mr. Daniel Melcher
476 N. St. S. W.
Washington, D. C.

Professor John G. Pilley
Dept. of Education
Wellesley College, Mass.

Mr. V. Stefansson
67 Morton Street
NYC

Dr. Hans Speier
c/o New School for Social Research
66 West 12 Street
NYC

Miss Faith Williams
Dept. of Labor
Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Katherine Earnshaw
Greater N.Y. CIO Council
1133 Broadway
NYC.

Mr. B. Conal
Voters Research Institute of America
305 Broadway
NYC

Polly Eady Klein
321 W. 11 St.

Mr. Sol Rabkin
5514 First St. N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Blumberg
1 University Place
NYC

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" Mr. Paul Ross
Administrative Assistant to the Mayor
The Mayor's Office
City Hall
NYC

X British Information Services
30 Rockefeller Plaza
NYC

X Mr. Peter Matijs Smedts
Amerika
Limburg
Holland

X Dr. Erich Kaliler
1 Evelyn Place
Princeton, N. J.

"

M. A photographic copy of a typewritten page entitled "Guild members" and containing the following list of newspapers, their telephone numbers and persons employed therein:

		Guild members
A. P.	CI 6-4111	
U. P.	MU 2-0400	
INS.	MU 2-0130	H. Bergman
King Features	MU 2-5600	
P.M.	WA 5-2600	Lorimer Hayward
Post	WH 4-9000	Jean Howard
Brooklyn Eagle	MA 4-6200	Al Leiner
World Telegram	BA 7-3211	Ruth Howard
Sun	WO 2-2323	

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Times	La 4-1000	Muriel Hursley
Herald Tribune	PE 6-4000	
Journal-American	CO 7-1212	George Edson
Federated Press	GR 5-2930	
Amsterdam News	AC 2-7800	Constance Curtis
People's Voice	MO 2-5110	Marv el Cooke
Daily Mirror	MU 2-1000	Jean Whittaker
Daily News	MU 2-1234	Pearl Fried
Daily Worker	AL 4-7954	Louise Mitchell
Jewish Day	OR 4-3300	Sam Landau
Freiheit	AL 4-9480	Rosalie Greenfield

N. A photographic copy of a letter from WASSERMAN to JULES KORCHIEN, dated April 5, 1946, the pertinent parts of which are being set out below:

"I am so sorry about the office difficulties on the various jobs. Will you be able to get someone to take Bob's place? Say hello to Abe (This is believed to be ABE BROTHMAN, a subject in this case) and tell him that I think he's a damn fool if he doesn't accept the Kaiser offer. Couldn't he get a contract that would permit him to complete the current jobs? As for the other boys (It is possible that WASSERMAN is referring to the Russian sources who previously received BROTHMAN's information.) in the long run he can probably be more useful to them once he's with Kaiser than he is now. What do you think he should do? "

In a following paragraph WASSERMAN writes as follows:

"I won't bother with any Jewish organizations here. Met Moishe Goldman at a dinner party two nights ago. He's the chap I mentioned, the chairman of the DATA which in Argentina corresponds to the American Jewish Conference in the United States."

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In this same letter WASSERMAN makes reference to DODALS. This is probably KAROL DODAL of 781 8th Avenue, New York City. DODAL at one time carried on an extensive illicit love affair with WASSERMAN. She also mentions the ROTHSHILDS and the RUBINS. It is to be noted that ROSE REUBEN of the American-Russian Institute may possibly be identical with the RUBIN to whom WASSERMAN is referring here.

O. A photographic copy of a letter, dated March 28th and sent by WASSERMAN to JULES KORCHIEN in which there appears the following matter:

"I'm glad M.J. arrived and glad you let her have the apartment. (The M.J. referred to here is believed to be MARY JANE KEENEY.) Give my love to the Roskams and the Delanos, but especially the Roskams."

P. A photographic copy of a letter, dated March 21, 1946. In this letter, written by WASSERMAN to KORCHIEN, there is reference made to a picture of BERNIE BERNSTEIN, wherein WASSERMAN states that "it was a picture that was taken of him at the press conference at our late and gladly forgotten get together of the U.O.P. etc. group and that I promised I'd send him."

Q. A photographic copy of a letter, dated April 18, 1946, written by WASSERMAN to JULES KORCHIEN. In this letter reference is made to MELVIN MAITH and PATSY HOLCOMBE. There is also reference to KATHERIN E., who is believed to be Mrs. KATHERINE EARNSHAW of the Greater New York CIO Council, 1133 Broadway, New York City.

R. A photographic copy of a letter, dated April 29, 1946, written by WASSERMAN to JULES KORCHIEN in which the following statements appear:

"You know there is a strong move on to oust Toledano and break the Latin American Federation of Labor. The A. F. of L. is very active in this respect and so are a large number of groups down here, in Chile, Bolivia and so forth, mostly socialist. What people here want to know is whether the CIO is doing anything to support T and if so what. I told them that I knew of the existence of the CIO committee of A. L. Potofsky's outfit but had no idea whether it could do anything at all, or whether the CIO nationally had taken a hand in the matter or any parts of the CIO apart from Potofsky's committee. What do you know about it? If you don't Al, or John Abt or even Katherine may know. "

S. A photostatic copy of a letter addressed to JULES KORCHIEN as obtained. The letter was as follows:

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" Dear Friend:

Our C.P. group meeting will be at Beatrice Falk's 10 Gay St. this Wed. night May 15th at 8 o'clock.

We will have a short discussion of our important work in the neighborhood and then, as usual, an interesting Marxist educational program, in which we will all participate. I expect to see you.

Comradely,

~~Minnie~~ Kashins
Group Captain

10 Downing St.
NY 14

PS - You have just been added to my group - Hope to meet you neighbor. I am in apartment 3D "

On May 3, 1946 from a highly confidential source it was ascertained that JACK DELANO mentioned in previous reports as a contact of MARY JANE KEENEY and URSULA WASSERMAN, was leaving New York City via the SS GEORGE WASHINGTON accompanied by his wife, IRENE DELANO and that he was due to arrive in Puerto Rico on May 9th. DELANO also had his car with him, a 1941 Dodge Coupe, New York License #3Y680. The San Juan Field Division was requested to obtain information concerning DELANO's activities in Puerto Rico and also his purpose for being there and business connections while there.

[REDACTED]

The mail cover placed against the name of EDWIN ROSSKA 10 Downing Street, reveals that he continues to receive mail from the Office of Information, San Juan, Puerto Rico and that JACK DELANO has written to him from that address on one occasion. (S)(u)

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent JAMES E. TIERNEY, JR., for the period of May 8 and 15, 1946. (u)

Reference is made to the letter from the Washington Field Division dated April 15, 1946, in the above-entitled matter, requesting available background information on FREDERICK C. GANS, 1650 Metropolitan Avenue, Parkchester, New York.

MR. JACK BARNES, rental agent for 1650 Metropolitan Avenue, Parkchester, New York, made available the following information concerning FREDERICK C. GANS:

He advised that Subject originally leased his apartment at this address on October 1, 1940, and has never recontacted him since sometime in 1942 to renew this lease. This lease has been automatically renewed since that date due to the fact that GANS had been a satisfactory tenant. Although he could not recall the exact month in 1942 that GANS contacted him, he revealed that at that time Subject was a First Lieutenant in the United States Army, having been so commissioned six months prior to the time he visited the rental agent's office. MR. BARNES revealed that as far as he knows, Subject GANS is still in the United States Army. He asserted that his records revealed that Subject, prior to his entering the Army, was an architectural designer employed by Kidmore Owings and Merrill, 5 East 57th Street, New York City. These records revealed that his occupation there was as a draftsman and designer. It was noted by MR. BARNES that Subject and his wife, whose first name is PRISCILLA, stated they were 29 years of age in 1940, when they rented their apartment from 3925 - 46th Street, Long Island City, New York, where they had resided for 2-1/2 years. They had lived prior to that time at 1030 Aratahoe Street, Los Angeles, California. Their dates of birth were not given.

The only other available information in these files revealed that Subject's wife's maiden name was BACON.

The Chief Clerk of Local Board 106, 1414 Metropolitan Avenue, Parkchester, New York, which Board covers Subject's residence address, checked her records for Subject's registration at that Board, with negative results. She advised that Subject, if he was for the Draft, should have registered at her Board inasmuch as he resided at his present address since October 1, 1940, which was prior to the first registration date. She revealed, however, that

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Subject must have voluntarily enlisted into the Army prior to the date of the first registration and therefore would not be liable to register under the Selective Service Act.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, the criminal records of the New York Police Department, and the indices of the New York Field Division were checked against Subject's name with negative results.

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RE: MRS. RAY ELSON, was.
161 West 16th Street
New York, New York

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The investigating activity concerning Mrs. RAY ELSON is reported by Special Agent James R. Shinnars.

In the report of Special Agent Edward W. Dooley, dated May 17, 1946, it was indicated that RAY ELSON contemplated resigning from her position at the National Federation of Constitutional Liberties, at 205 East 42nd Street, New York City. ELSON resigned her position on May 17th and since has obtained employment at the Scientific Instrument Company at 119 Chambers Street, New York City. This firm sells binoculars and scientific equipment and the position held by ELSON is that of a stenographer, working four hours a day, five days a week at a salary of \$30 a week. It has been indicated by ELSON that this position is on a temporary basis until she finds further employment.

According to Confidential Informant GREGORY, ELSON has evidently decided against employment with the United Nations Organization in New York City. No reason for this action was given by ELSON since she had made application in person at Hunter College, New York City, on May 23, 1946, where she had an interview with a Miss AGNEW, of the U.N. Personnel Office. On May 24, 1946, ELSON had lunch with Confidential Informant GREGORY at Jack Delaney's Restaurant, Greenwich Village, and during this time discussed with GREGORY the various aspects concerning her application. The thing that concerned ELSON most, according to GREGORY, was the possibility of an FBI investigation of her application and ELSON stated that if the FBI did investigate she would immediately withdraw her application. ELSON also told the informant that in addition to being fearful of an FBI investigation, she was additionally concerned over the possibility of an FBI "grilling" because of what may be turned up in her background. GREGORY told ELSON that she did not believe the FBI was investigating personnel for the U.N. primarily because the U.N. was international in scope and had its own investigating forces. At the same luncheon, ELSON told the informant that she did not think the FBI was investigating her at the present time and made the statement that her telephone was all right. ELSON related also that she was financially in poor condition and that immediately after the luncheon she was going to see her step-father and borrow \$50.

It may be pointed out at this time that according to Confidential Informant [REDACTED] ELSON made a call to YANK, who has been previously identified.

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as being JACK GOLDMAN who is employed at the International Workers Order at 189 Second Avenue. ELSON was placed under surveillance to this address after her luncheon engagement with GREGORY and was observed to be in the company of JACK GOLDMAN when they went to the Manufacturers Trust Company located at 14th Street and Second Avenue. At this point, GOLDMAN was observed by surveilling Agents to endorse a check for \$50 to RAY ELSON who cashed it immediately. (X)

In reference to the application mentioned above of RAY ELSON at the United Nations, she received her first information regarding this possibility of employment from ABE HACKMAN, previously mentioned in this case and at that time, HACKMAN gave ELSON extended advice and procedures to follow in making her application. Set out is the pertinent section of a conversation reported by [REDACTED] between RAY ELSON and ABE HACKMAN: (H(u))

W: Okay, Abe will talk to you, just a moment....

R: Okay, Rose....

.....
A: Hello

R: Yes.

A: It's at Hunter College

R: Yeah, where..in the Bronx or downtown.

A: The Bronx, the Cafeteria Building, or something, is there such a thing.

R: The Cafeteria Building.

A: That's what I've got down here.

R: That must be the Bronx.

A: Yes..Room 3-205

R: Yes.

A: Which is the office of Miss Agnew (phonetic).

R: Agnew?

A: Agnew

R: Imagine.

A: In which you ask for Miss Whitelaw.

R: What's that first name.

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A: How do I know.
R: Whitelaw

A: Whitelaw...W-H-I-T-E-I-A-W.
R: Yes, because I know a Miss Whitelaw.

A: Well, that's fine.
R: Listen, Abe.

A: And you heard about this through Mrs. Bartlett of UNRRA
R: Mrs. Bartlett

A: That's right.
R: Uh-huh

A: Inkus, minkus and pinkus..the place is lousy with Jews..Miss Agnew,
Miss Whitelaw and Mrs. Bartlett...
R: (A few words in Russian?)

A: Good
R: Listen, (few words in this language)

A: All right.
R: I don't know what kind of a setup they have but (same language?)
you know what I mean.

A: Yes.
R: They will

A: Well, they want to know what you have been doing, who you have been
working for, what are your references.

R: Yes, well I mean aside from that, you know what I mean

A: There aren't any other questions, are there? You mean do they ask you
what you believe in.
R: Yes.

A: No..you have to sign an oath...
R: Oh, you do...

A: ..when you join them which says that you will accept leadership, or
rather you will accept instruction from no authority outside the
Administration.

R: Oh well...

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R: I see, uh-huh

R: Well they, they're on the proscribed list of Dies and of Rankin

R: They were of Martin Dies and they are now of Rankin

R: uh-huh...laugh.

R: Yeah, well that's..

R: Uh-huh, well no, I have been working with the Civil Rights outfit you know, it doesn't, I mean its Civil Rights in America.

R: Uh-huh, well I shall certainly go up there Abe.

R: Uh-huh.

R: Well, no, no.

R: I don't mean that, but I mean you know on a, if I were to go into regular Civil Service job, I know that they require you to make a statement about your background and beliefs and all that kind of stuff..well would that hold in an outfit like the United Nations.

R: I see

R: Not, eh.

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A: That would be my suspicion.

R: Yes.

A: I mean you can always decide you don't want to take a crack at it.

R: Yes.

A: If you're interested, I mean I know that you can get this kind of dough other places.

R: Yes.

A: This might just be an interesting thing to do.

R: Yes.

A: The appointments are for 60 days, they are temporary.

R: Oh they are.

A: 60 days from now..

R: Yes.

A: They will be making permanent appointment.

R: Oh, is that so.

A: And of course the people who are on the job temporarily..are doing a good job will get the jobs permanently

R: Uh-huh

A: They might at that appointment, I don't know, you might check into this, raise the salary or something.

R: Yes, the whole thing sounds very interesting and very desirable...I know, my only reason in asking these questions is that I shouldn't like to be embarrassed, you know.

A: If you're embarrassed, so what.

R: ..laugh...you know I'm such a sensitive creature.

A: Yes, I know, you're very shy

R: ..laugh...okay, that sounds like a dirty crack

A: I mean don't be shy

R: Yes, well

A: I mean this is a, this is not a buyers market, as regarding personality, this is a sellers market.

R: Uh-huh

A: If you're competent seller you can sit and prove that

R: Oh yes, that..

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A: By the way.

R: Yes.

A: Another tip

R: Yes.

A: Tell her that you heard that they are interested in secretaries, but what you really want to be is Administrative assistant.

R: oh fine.

A: As Administrative assistant as a secretary you will make 20 or 30 bucks more a week.

R: Uh-huh.

A: And that is sort of a right hand man to a guy..she takes care of office...

R: Oh yes.

A: Hires the filing clerks and you never worked for the Government before, but you think, from what you know of administrative assistanceship

R: Yes.

A: That's the kind of dish you can do.

R: Oh, well I know I can do that Abe, because I did that last year.

A: Well describe yourself as running an office.

R: Uh-huh, okay Abe.

A: Okay

R: There's time on that for a week from this coming week.

A: I don't know.

R: That you don't know..

A: That I haven't the faintest notion

R: Because I'm going to hibernation for this next week.

A: When

R: Did Rose tell you

A: When

R: I'm, Joe's taking me out to Far Rockaway Sunday.

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A: And what's the matter with tomorrow.

R: Well tomorrow he's got a great big Housing Rally, his Post.

A: Uh-huh

R: Has a big housing rally, so he's going to be tied up on that.

A: No, but I mean what about you going on this.

R: Oh, I always think of Saturday as being a day when the office is closed.

A: I don't know, why don't you call UN and find out.

R: I think that's a very swell idea and I'll do it.

A: I mean since they like you, you tell them you're taking a week off or 2 weeks or whatever it is, you'll come back.

R: Oh fine.

A: But knock this thing off tomorrow if you can.

R: Fine, that's a, I'm very glad you mentioned that.

A: Okay

R: Yes and.

A: You might try to reach these people by phone first.

R: Yes.

A: But you have got enough names so you can carry that through.

R: Okay..laugh

A: And let us know what happens to you

R: I certainly will

A: And maybe we can make contact on your vacation

R: Yes, definitely that and thanks ever and ever so much Abe.

A: Oh, that's all right.

R: Okay

A: Okay then

R: Byebye

A: Good luck.

R: Thanks.

A: Bye

R: Bye

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~~CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT~~ (u) 62 570

During the month of May, [redacted] reflected that ELSON maintained her usual contacts with previously mentioned friends and the following is the pertinent data received during this period: (u) 62 570

On May 4, 1946 at 8:40 PM, an unidentified woman, ~~IDA~~ GAFFEN, contacted ELSON and from the conversation it was indicated that GAFFEN is from California and she has just arrived in New York after being to Florida and Cuba. During the conversation, they discussed a man, JEROME, who lives at 3021 Holland Avenue, Bronx, New York. This has been subsequently identified as JEROME SHUCHTER, a brother of RAY ELSON. GAFFEN indicated that she was going to meet SHUCHTER on May 5th at his office at the Jewish Welfare Council, New York City. (u)

At 6:55 PM on the same date FRANK DUTTO called and conversed with RAY and her husband, JOE, at which time they discussed the May Day Parade in which DUTTO and JOE ELSON participated. DUTTO commented that the parade exposed everybody and JOE commented that the parade was a wonderful experience and was serious even though the cops were "grim". DUTTO marched in the parade with the May Day Committee while JOE marched with the Artists. DUTTO also felt that the parade "floored" everybody and it was good for all those who came to see it. (u)

On May 15, 1946 at 9:15 AM, ROSE HACKMAN, the wife of ABE HACKMAN, mentioned previously in this report, called RAY and explained the possibilities of ELSON obtaining employment at the UN because there were positions opened at \$2600 per year, tax free. It was in this conversation that ELSON was advised to call ABE HACKMAN, which conversation has been previously set out. (u)

On May 18, 1946, RAY ELSON called EADIE KEMNITZ, wife of MILTON KEMNITZ, an employee of the N.F.C.L. During this conversation, ELSON commented at length of the setup at N.F.C.L. and found it hard in explaining her leaving the employ of N.F.C.L., the various ramifications necessary to keep an even balance. ELSON felt that on the whole the work was too hard and commented that MILT KAUFMAN is a very difficult person to work for and said that different individuals in the office made it hard to maintain peace. ELSON explained that her husband was participating in a large Veterans Housing Rally, which was held May 18, 1946 at the Lexington Avenue Armory. RAY commented that JOE had been working very hard to make the rally a big success and that she was going to attend with several of her friends. (u)

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In a conversation on May 22nd, JOE commented to a woman named JEAN that the rally held at the Armory attracted approximately 3,000 people and he felt that there should have been more. JEAN stated that she was highly in favor of veterans taking the initiative in such movements and made the comment that with the veterans "the revolution ought to be a push-over". No identification has been made of this woman to the present time. (u)

A review of the surveillance logs during the month of May reflected that ELSON maintained her usual social contacts set out in previous reports. It may be noted that ELSON has made arrangements to spend the Summer at the Far Rockaway Beach house that was occupied by her and her husband last Summer. This house is located at 649 Grassmere Terrace at the intersection of Grassmere Terrace and Far Rockaway Boulevard. ELSON indicated in her conversation with Confidential Informant GREGORY that she intends to spend her Summer week-ends at the house in Far Rockaway. (u)

Pertinent data covered from a review of the logs of this period reflected that ELSON attended the May Day Parade on May 1, 1946 from various points of vantage along the route. It was noted from the surveillance log of this date that ELSON took unusually circuitous routes in going to the parade and checked on several occasions to see if she was being surveilled. She watched the parade from approximately 3:00 PM until 5:00 PM when she returned to her apartment at 161 West 16th Street. (u)

On May 16, 1946, ELSON was not observed to leave 205 East 42nd Street and was not observed during the evening to be in her apartment. At twelve midnight ELSON was observed leaving a taxi cab at her apartment and it was ascertained that she was picked up at 52nd Street and Second Avenue. It was felt that ELSON had been at the residence of BILLIE at 333 East 53rd Street. This is believed to be the residence of LEONARD SANSONE. Information has already been set out regarding the activities of ELSON on May 24th, when she had lunch with Confidential Informant GREGORY following which she met JACK GOLDMAN at 189 Second Avenue.

The mail cover during the month of May reflected that RAY ELSON received mail from the following addresses:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sender</u>
5/4/46	Chase Safety Deposit Company
5/7/46	Chase Safety Deposit Company
5/7/46	Sherry 105 Seventh Avenue New York City

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Sender</u>
5/10/46	New York Civic Center 131 West 55th Street New York City
5/24/46	Winfield Fine Art and Jewelry 184 West 4th Street New York City
5/25/46	JOE ELSON received mail from Ducan Paris Post 1422 c/o Milan Studios 225 West 46th Street Room 302 New York City
5/25/46	Arts Student League 215 West 57th Street New York City

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No identification has been made of SHERRY who resides at 105 Seventh Avenue, New York City.

The following is investigation of individuals previously mentioned in reports who had contact with RAY ELSON: (u)

ROSE HOWARD

On April 26, 1946, as set forth in the report of Special Agent Edward W. Dooley, dated May 17, 1946 at New York, Confidential Informant [redacted] reported a conversation between JOSEPH ELSON and a woman identified as ROSE who was staying with her brother at telephone number Fordham 4-0348. It will be recalled ROSE stated she met RAY when RAY was in California and added that she would like to have a visit with RAY ELSON. (u) b2 b7f

Special Agent Howard R. Hawkins ascertained that the records of Local Board #121 at 2382 Grand Concourse, New York, reflected that HARRY MIRSKY, telephone number Fordham 4-0348, registered for Selective Service on February 15, 1942. At this time he resided at 2527 Valentine Avenue, Bronx, and presently resides at 30 West 190th Street, Bronx. He was born in Chernobille, Kiev, Russia, on July 30, 1898 and his wife is SALLY MIRSKY, who

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was born September 9, 1903. His employment was given as a piece goods buyer of dress fabrics and textiles for the Pierrot Dress Company, 498 Seventh Avenue, New York City. His education consisted of eight years elementary school and stated he could read and write English. He is paid about \$40 a week in his present job and has had twenty years experience in this field.

MIRSKY stated he has no criminal record and no previous Army experience. His Social Security Number is [REDACTED] In his registration, MIRSKY listed his relatives as follows:

~~SAMUEL MIRSKY~~, 38 years, brother
2285 Chesterton Avenue

~~HYMAN MIRSKY~~, 36 years, brother
2233 Morris Avenue

~~BENJAMIN MIRSKY~~, 42 years, brother
Boston, Massachusetts.

~~MOLLY MANTEL~~, 34 years, sister
2126 Tiebout Avenue

~~ROSE HOWARD~~, 32, sister
Los Angeles, California.

The ROSE HOWARD mentioned above undoubtedly is the ROSE who is a contact of RAY ELSON.

H. WILDE, superintendent of 30 West 190th Street, Bronx, advised HARRY MIRSKY resided at that address and that MIRSKY and his wife, SALLY, had been visited recently by MIRSKY's sister, Mrs. ROSE HOWARD, and her three-year old daughter, SUSAN, who were from Los Angeles, California. WILDE described Mrs. HOWARD as follows:

Height:	5' 7"
Weight:	120 lbs.
Build:	Slim
Hair:	Dyed blond
Complexion:	Fair

Regarding Mrs. HOWARD, WILDE advised that she had been in New York City about three weeks but has since returned to California. He knew of no organizations with which the MIRSKYS or Mrs. HOWARD were associated and also stated that he had heard no conversations of a Communistic nature or did he note any Communist literature.

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The records of the New York Field Division concerning ROSE HOWARD were negative.

ABRAHAM GELLER

It was ascertained on a previous date from Confidential Informant [redacted] that there had been a contact between JOE ELSON and ABRAHAM GELLER. b2 b7D X(1)

At the office of EDWARD KESTNER, Registrar of New York University, Washington Square, Mrs. PANEK advised that ABRAHAM GELLER, 1850 52nd Street, Brooklyn, entered New York University from Cornell University in February, 1936. He was born in Husi, Roumania, July 6, 1912. He was a student at Brooklyn Tech High School from 1927 to 1929; Troy High School, Troy, New York, from 1929 to 1931 and Cornell University, Ithaca from 1932 to 1936. He did not receive a degree from Cornell University where his records reflected he had considerable scholastic difficulty and was placed on probation June 15, 1935. His father, WILLIAM GELLER, and mother, SOPHIA, are both residing at Taylor Street, Troy, New York, at the present time. His scholastic average at New York University was "D" and was dropped in June 1938 without receiving a degree. Both at New York University and Cornell University, he was a student in the School of Architecture.

The following is the employment record of ABRAHAM GELLER:

WILLIAM LESCAZE
211 East 48th Street
New York City
Summer of 1935 as an Architect-Draftsman

H. L. GREEN STORES
902 Broadway
New York City
Department store clerk from June, 1931 to September, 1932

JEAN M. BARSAY
148 West 73rd Street
New York, New York

Confidential Informant [redacted] reported a contact between JEAN BARSAY and RAY ELSON. A review of the files of the New York Field Division reflected the following information: b2 b7D

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[REDACTED] a list of names, which is believed to be a membership list of the Thomas Jefferson Club of the Communist Party, was obtained. This list included the name of JEAN BARSAY, 148 West 73rd Street, New York City. (u) b7E

In the report of Special Agent Jerome M. Garland, dated August 13, 1943, New York City, in the case entitled "NATIONAL MARITIME UNION OF AMERICA; INTERNAL SECURITY - C", on page 7 information was reported from Confidential Informant [REDACTED] that on June 29, 1943 a woman named JEAN BARSAY, residing at 148 West 73rd Street, telephone TRafalgar 7-6694, conferred with FLORENCE SLIPYAVE, of N.M.U., for the purpose of advising her that a meeting would be held in BARSAY's home the following Friday night. It was believed, according to Agent Garland, that the meeting to be held in BARSAY's home would be Communistic in nature. (u) b2 b7D

Report of Special Agent Vincent J. Cahill, dated October 18, 1944 at New York, entitled "MARGARET ELEANORE HALLER; INTERNAL SECURITY - C" indicated that HALLER was a private secretary to JOSEPH CURRAN, President of the National Maritime Union and was considered a key figure in the New York Field Division. Upon HALLER's departure from New York City, certain material was disposed of, including an address book. This book contained the name of JEAN BARSAY, telephone number TRafalgar 7-6694.

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In another report, JEAN BARSAY, at the above address, was listed as an individual who had written to the Governor of New York, urging the pardon of MORRIS U. SCHAPPES, a known Communist.

HARVEY KAGAN

On April 14, 1946, as set forth in the report of Special Agent Edward W. Dooley, dated May 17, 1946 at New York, New York, Confidential Informant [REDACTED] reported a conversation between HARVEY KAGAN and RAY ELSON. HARVEY disclosed he had attended Cooper Union. Subsequently on April 18, 1946, HARVEY spoke to RAY ELSON and it was agreed that HARVEY and his wife would visit the ELSONS on April 19, 1946. (u) b2 b7D

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Miss JUDITH ROSENBLATT, Registrar's Office, Cooper Union, Astor Place, advised that HARVEY KAGAN, 1980 East 24th Street, Brooklyn, telephone ES 5-7790, had entered Cooper Union, February 1, 1946 and had resigned from the school on March 6, 1946. The records reflect that KAGAN was born January 23, 1922 but the place of birth was not shown. His father is DAVID KAGAN, also residing at 1980 East 24th Street. KAGAN is registered for the Selective Service at Local Board #173, Brooklyn. He was attending the Architectural Day School and taking a first year refresher course. The records reflected that KAGAN entered New York University in 1940 where he studied architecture and Applied Arts. He left New York University in 1942 apparently to enter military service. He entered New York University from Brooklyn College.

The records of the New York Field Division were checked for information concerning HARVEY KAGAN with negative results.

JACK GOLDMAN, wa: ~~Yank~~
225 East 12th Street
New York City

(u) (X) As indicated in the report of Special Agent Edward W. Dooley, dated May 17, 1946 at New York, JACK GOLDMAN had been in frequent contact with RAY ELSON. It may be pointed out that earlier in this report, it was shown that RAY ELSON contacted GOLDMAN following her luncheon engagement with Confidential Informant GREGORY on May 26, 1946. At this time GOLDMAN was observed by surveilling Agents to give ELSON a check in the Manufacturers Trust Company at 14th Street and Second Avenue for \$50, which he endorsed and turned over to ELSON.

Inquiry at the Manufacturers Trust Company through Mr. TROTTER reflected that GOLDMAN opened his account at the Manufacturers Trust Company in March of 1946. In his application, GOLDMAN stated that he was secretary of the New York County Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order at 80 Fifth Avenue. His original deposit with the bank was \$75. TROTTER pointed out that he did not require GOLDMAN to submit any references because he was satisfied with the background as given to TROTTER in their original interview.

It may be pointed out that in the conversation that RAY ELSON had with YANK on the same day that she called him to borrow the \$50 on May 24th that [REDACTED] reported that in the social conversation that followed the discussion of the loan, RAY ELSON and YANK attempted to arrange a date for a visit between the two parties at either ELSON's apartment or at her summer home in Far Rockaway. In reply to this invitation, YANK stated that his next three weekends would be taken up and that it would be impossible for (u) b2 b7D

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him to consider the possibility of visiting the ELSON's at Far Rockaway during this period. Several days later, RAY ELSON in a conversation with FANNY commented, according to [REDACTED] about her new position and at that time stated that she had talked to JACK and that he said he would be busy for the next three weekends. To this, FANNY replied that she was sorry to hear this; that she had not seen JACK for a long time and was looking forward to a reunion. It will be recalled that on December 23, 1945, RAY ELSON received a call from an unknown FANNY, saying that "JACK wants to see us" and it was believed at that time that the JACK mentioned in this conversation may be identical with the unknown JACK who allegedly was an unknown contact of RAY ELSON and Confidential Informant GREGORY. From this it can be ascertained that the JACK mentioned in that conversation undoubtedly is JACK GOLDMAN, whose background is presently being investigated. (u)

Additional investigation is being conducted to ascertain the complete background and present activity of GOLDMAN.

HATTIE CHAMP

This individual who was identified in the previous report as being a co-worker of RAY ELSON at the N.F.C.L. has resigned her position with this organization and according to ELSON has returned to teaching school in New York City. An investigation will be conducted to ascertain what progress she has made in attempting to reinstate herself as a teacher in the public schools.

On May 24, 1946, a highly confidential informant having access to the premises of RAY ELSON made available two address books belonging to RAY and JOE ELSON. Set out below is the information received from this source:

GINETTE
253 West 16th Street
Telephone CHelsea 2-4015
IO 5-1388

LOUISE
17 West 70th Street
Telephone: EL 5-1759
TR 7-1574

This is LOUISE SCHATZ, well-known contact of the ELSONs.

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JERRY
3021 Holland Avenue 36N
Olinville 2-2234

This party has been identified as JERRY SCHUCHTER, brother of
RAY ELSON.

SHONNIE
1155 North Spaulding
Chicago 51, Illinois

LEO
101 West 78th Street
Trafalgar 7-6855

This telephone is listed to KOLMAN SMIT.

FANNIE DAVIS
35 Hancock Place

LENA
3040 Cruger Avenue
OL 2-3583

The above party has been identified as LENA DUTTO, known contact
of RAY ELSON.

LINDSEY REED
76-18 35th Avenue
Corona, New York
Telephone: WO 2-4740
Extension 55

GOLDE
1187 Anderson Avenue
Apartment 3-B
Jerome 8-0910

This phone is listed to an individual named STANLEY ROSS.

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GOLDE
1187 Anderson Avenue
Apartment 3B
Jerome 8-0910

This phone is listed to an individual named STANLEY ROSS.

PAUL ROONEY
4101 67th Street
Woodside, Long Island
Headquarter Detachment G-3

DR. AARON
1235 Park Avenue
Telephone: ATwater 9-5160

ESTHER
(Chelsea Hotel)
CHelsea 3-3700
CHelsea 2-3560

CHelsea 2-3560 is listed to the American Library Color Slide Company, 222 West 23rd Street, New York City.

JEAN M. BARSAY
148 West 73rd Street
TRafalgar 7-6694
AL 4-9570

This party has been identified earlier in this report.

BURT
Telephone: EV 8-2175

This number has been identified as being listed to BASSUK BROTHERS, 79 Thompkins Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

BELLA
TRafalgar 7-6310

This has been identified as BELLA DOREN, 212 West 72nd Street, an occasional contact of RAY ELSON.

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Olinville 2-8739

This has been identified as ~~ETHEL~~ BIALLY at 286 East 206th Street, Bronx, New York.

~~ANN~~ CHERNIN
TR 8-3977

This number is listed to ~~MARTIN H.~~ HANISH, 231 East 174th Street, Bronx, New York.

~~Dr. WEINSTEIN~~
20 East 53rd Street
EL 5-0781

WEINSTEIN is a known subject in the instant case and a separate investigation is being conducted of his activities.

~~NOEL~~
22 East 22nd Street
Telephone: Gramercy 5-7392
BA 7-0440~~NOEL WITZ~~
ASN 32906519
Company "B"
30 Hed. Bn.
APO 77
Postmaster, San Francisco
Telephone: MO 2-3458~~LITCH~~
121 West 97th Street

This name has been previously identified as ~~MITCHELL~~ SIPORIN, frequent contact of the ELSONs.

~~SAKHEIM~~
Telephone: SC 4-1060

This party has been identified as Dr. Jeanette ~~Sakheim~~ at 522 West End Avenue.

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~~EVELYN SIEGEL~~
1108 South Keeler Avenue
(City unknown)

~~MIKE ZOTTI~~
3 Cherry
West Orange, New Jersey

BOBBY
349 East 32nd Street
Telephone: Murray Hill 4-2179

This has been identified as BOBBY ELSON

~~SARGE ETTLINGER~~
2142 North Lincoln Parkway West
Chicago, Illinois
Telephone: Division-8711

~~MISRAELSON~~
2524 West Division
Chicago
Telephone: Brn-1523

This is the family name of JOE ELSON.

~~RUTH LEVINE~~
51 West Mosholu Parkway

This party has been identified in previous reports.

~~DUTTO~~
3040 Cruger Avenue
OLinville 2-3583

The DUTTCs are known contacts of the ELSONs.

~~FRV LEVINE~~
51 Mosholu Parkway North
Telephone: OL 2-8006

This party is the husband of RUTH LEVINE, mentioned above.

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333 East 53rd Street
Telephone: PLaza 8-1199

This is believed to be identical with BILLIE HARDY, who presently lives at the above address.

HALPERN
317 West 84th Street
Telephone: Co 5-6500
Riverside 9-5612

The above party is a frequent contact of the ELSONS.

HACKMAN
150 Pine Street
Rockville Center, Long Island

This party was mentioned earlier in this report.

KOERNER
408 East 10th Street

This party was mentioned in the last report of Special Agent Edward W. Dooley, dated May 17, 1946 at New York.

KANE
161 West 16th Street
Watkins 9-4135
MA 3-3254

This party has been identified as MURRAY KANE who lives in the same building with the ELSONs and are close friends.

KURZBARD
323 West 83rd Street
TRafalgar 4-0354JERRY EISENBERG
1421 53rd Street
Brooklyn, New York
Windsor 6-1831~~TOP SECRET~~~~SECRET~~~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

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~~J. CARRABINO~~
Rear Echelon
U.S.F. China Theater
APO 627
New York, New York

~~J. H. H. MUIRHEAD~~
230 West 108th Street
New York, New York

~~JAPPINEN~~
37-15 72nd Street
Jackson Heights
Telephone: Illinois 8-6220

~~YANK~~
226 East 12th Street
10-B
Telephone: GRamercy 7-6450
AL 4-4947

~~FANNY~~
120 West 105th Street
Telephone: Riverside 9-0162
Ca 5-6282

~~JOHN A. OSUCH~~
17 B South Hamilton
Poughkeepsie, New York
Telephone: 3627-J

Investigation is being conducted to ascertain the complete identity of all individuals mentioned in the above list.

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The following information is being reported by Special Agent Lawrence W. Spillane:

In the report of Special Agent M. Donald Aldrich, Los Angeles, it is noted that Source 5 indicated Mr. A. ENDELMAN, Avenue Copalobana 945, Apartment 715, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, was the recipient of a letter dated October 6, 1944, written by SAOUL, which name is similar to SAUL LOURIE, a name involved in the VERA GAYLORD case. This report further indicated that ARNOLD ENDELMAN, who is believed to be a brother of MICHAEL ENDELMAN, received an air mail letter, postmarked March 30, 1946, with the return address of ALEXIS GOLDENWEISER, 523 West 112 Street, New York City. GOLDENWEISER is listed as a witness to the petition for citizenship filed by GERMINA RABINOWITZ, subject of an Internal Security - R investigation. ARNOLD ENDELMAN and MICHAEL ENDELMAN frequently correspond with each other. (u) (X)

It was previously reported that ENDELMAN received mail from MAOUL LOURIE, Adelaide Drive, Santa Monica, California. A review of the files in the New York Field Division revealed that Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH N. ERMOLIEFF drove Mr. and Mrs. SAOUL LOURIE of 316 Adelaide Drive, Santa Monica, California, to Palm Springs, California. Mrs. JOSEPH N. ERMOLIEFF is also known as VERA GAYLORD. These files further reflected that a

These records further reflected that in 1942 SAOUL LOURIE sent letters to the WORLD TOURISTS, 1123 Broadway, New York City. (u) b7C

SAOUL LOURIE is described as follows:-

Date of Birth	July 23, 1879
Place of Birth	Pinsk, Russia
Height	5'4"
Weight	160 Lbs.
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Brown

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316 Adelaide Drive, Santa Monica,
California

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LURALDA, LTD., of London, England.

As a result of the mail cover placed on MICHAEL ENDELMAN at his home address, 49 West 83 Street, New York City, information was received that ENDELMAN was the recipient of several letters from LOUIS E. SPIEGLER, Southern Building, Washington, D. C. (u)

A review of the files in the New York Field Division reveal that LOUIS E. SPIEGLER, alias LEWIS SPIEGLER, was the subject of an Internal Security - G investigation predicated on the fact that SPIEGLER had been noted to engage in German conversation with a number of persons who were distinctly of German nationality and who, while staying in the same hotel, but in a different room with HILDA FISER, it was revealed, did not seem to desire to be seen in the same hotel with her and they, therefore, sent messages to each other via the bellboy. The files further reflect SPIEGLER was born in Roumania on February 15, 1892 and he became a naturalized citizen of the United States as a minor through the naturalization of his parents. SPIEGLER served in United States Government service from 1910 to 1927, resigning from a position as Internal Revenue Agent on the Income Tax Force. The file revealed that he served in the United States Army during the first World War for twelve months and he is presently a practicing attorney in Washington, D. C. SPIEGLER is very prominent in Hebrew organizations, and is presently active in the HEBREW AID SOCIETY, assisting Jewish immigrants.

A mail cover on MICHAEL ENDELMAN further revealed that several letters had been received by him from INQ. B. SAWICZ, Insurgentes 254-603, Mexico, D. F., and from A. ENDELMAN, Apartment 715, 945 Copalobana Avenue, Brazil, Corrio. This mail cover further revealed that ENDELMAN received mail from the following individuals:-

RENATE LEPERE, 10 Leland, New Rochelle, New York
MOSSKOWESKA, 6 Sq. Henri, Delormel, Paris, France
MARGARETE WEISS, 2 Rue de la Prefecture, Nice
H. WINAWER, 252 West 76 Street, New York City
MARTHE NODKI, 44 Place Jules Ferry, Montrouge-Seine

The files of the New York Office fail to reveal any information of value regarding the aforementioned names.

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Re: HAROLD GLASSER

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent JAMES E. TIERNEY, JR., for the period covering May 7 and 15, 1946: *[Signature]*

Reference is made to the letter from the Washington Field Division dated April 16, 1946, concerning the above Subject, HAROLD GLASSER, and requesting an investigation to ascertain the identity of LOUIS GLUCK, 435 Fort Washington Avenue, New York City.

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It was ascertained through observation that Subject LOUIS GLUCK still resides at 435 Washington Avenue, New York City. Neighborhood investigation conducted at the address produced negative results.

A check of the Credit Bureau for Greater New York, the criminal records of the New York City Police Department, and the indices of the New York Field Division, was made with negative results.

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 [Re: BELA GOLD] (~~SECRET~~) (~~CONFIDENTIAL~~) (u)

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent William G. O'Donnell, on May 2, 3, 7, and 15, 1946, and is predicated upon information received from the Washington Field Division by letter dated April 16, 1946, to the effect that on October 27, 1945, MAX MERMELSTEIN, 130 Hooper Street, Brooklyn, New York, had telephonically contacted BELA GOLD at EV. 8-6367. (u)

Investigation at 130 Hooper Street, Brooklyn, revealed that this is a three family house and that it is occupied by I. REESE, (superintendent), ALEX MARKS and MAX MERMELSTEIN.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, were checked with negative results in regard to MAX MERMELSTEIN.

The following information was received from Confidential Informant, [REDACTED] Telephone number EV 6-6367, was assigned to MAX MERMELSTEIN, at 130 Hooper Street on February 25, 1943. This party resides on the third floor of a three family house. He is employed as a shipping clerk at the National Biscuit Company, 444 West 14th Street, and has been employed there for the last 25 years. The telephone number of this company is CHelsea 3-8000. He maintains a bank account at the Lincoln Savings Bank at Boerum Street in Brooklyn. The only toll call made by this party during the last three months was on March 22, 1946, when he called Montreal, telephone number CRescant 7607. b2 b7D

The Bureau is not being requested to ascertain the identity of the party subscribing to this telephone number in Montreal, but it is being left to the discretion of the Washington Field Division, as to whether the identity of this party should be ascertained.

The records of Local Board 155, 44 Court Street, Brooklyn, revealed the following information: MAX MERMELSTEIN is not registered at this board, but [REDACTED] is registered at Local Board 155. [REDACTED]

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Lawrence W. Spillane:

In the report of Special Agent Edward W. Dooley, dated May 17, 1946 at New York City, information was reported regarding the results of a physical surveillance of GREGG from April 26 to April 30, 1946. The investigation was conducted to determine GREGG's contacts in the New York area during this period.

It was previously reported that GREGG stayed in Apartment 7-C at 334 West 87th Street, New York City on April 28 and 29, 1946 and the tenant in this apartment was reported as VICTOR H. KAY. Mr. DAVIES, superintendent of the building at 334 West 87th Street, New York City, advised that an unknown man, woman and two children occupied Apartment 7-C at this address. He advised that Apartment 7-C is presently occupied by MORRIS BOGDANOFF and his wife. He advised that BOGDANOFF recently moved into this apartment, which had previously been occupied by VICTOR H. KAY and that KAY now occupies the apartment on the fifth floor that had previously been occupied by BOGDANOFF. He further stated that BOGDANOFF is a prominent real estate man who owns a large farm in the vicinity of Peekskill, New York, and that Mrs. BOGDANOFF spends a great deal of time working on Russian relief. The files of the New York Field Division reflect that MORRIS BOGDANOFF is a Director of the YORKTOWN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC., 349 West 149th Street, Bronx, New York, which is the same company with which DAVID BOGDANOFF is connected.

A confidential source advised that the residents at 25 Montgomery Place, Brooklyn, New York, are listed as N. LIEBERMAN and MEYER SCHWARTZ. The files of the New York Field Division failed to reveal any information regarding these residents.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York were examined by Special Employee Investigator Wade Fuller and information was obtained that MEYER SCHWARTZ, 190 Westminister Road, Brooklyn, New York, is connected with the business of GLASS & LIEBERMAN, 5302 Fifth Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. These records further reflect that he is married to RUTH, has two children, and is the assistant manager of the aforementioned firm which deals in men's clothing.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York reflect that NATHAN LIEBERMAN, 190 Westminister Road, Brooklyn, New York, is the president of the GLASS & LIEBERMAN COMPANY, 5302 Fifth Avenue, Brooklyn,

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New York. He is married to PAULINE LIEBERMAN and they have two married sons, STANLEY and MEYER LIEBERMAN. LIEBERMAN is reported to obtain a good income from his business and his partner is MORRIS GLASS. LIEBERMAN maintains a bank account at the National City Bank, Fifth Avenue and 54th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

The records of Local Board #224, 1805 Church Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, revealed that MEYER SCHWARTZ was born on January 1, 1885 in Poland and that he listed his occupation as real estate and insurance at 44 Court Street, Brooklyn, New York. SCHWARTZ was described as follows:

HEIGHT	6'
WEIGHT	180
HAIR	Gray
EYES	Brown
COMPLEXION	Light

These records further reflect that NATHAN LIEBERMAN was born on December 24, 1879 in Poland and that he is described as follows:

HEIGHT	5'7"
WEIGHT	180
EYES	Blue
HAIR	Brown
COMPLEXION	Light

A pretext telephone call was made to the one family residence at 190 Westminster Road, Brooklyn, New York, and information was obtained that LIEBERMAN and SCHWARTZ had moved from that address but their present address was not known. It is believed that the information reported regarding SCHWARTZ and LIEBERMAN of 190 Westminster Road, Brooklyn, New York, is identical with the residents of 25 Montgomery Place, Brooklyn, New York.

Inquiry was conducted at 184 Sullivan Street, New York City, and information was obtained that Mr. and Mrs. NATHAN KATZ reside on the first and second floors.

The records of Local Board #3, 45 Astor Place, New York City, and the files of the New York Field Division were examined for information regarding NATHAN KATZ with negative results.

Information was received from the Washington Field Division indicating that ROSE GREGG told ROBERT TALBOTT MILLER, III, that JOSEPH

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GREGG may be staying with KAT (ph.), telephone number ALgonquin 4-8684. A confidential source advised that ALgonquin 4-8684 is an unlisted telephone number of NATHAN KATZ, 184 Sullivan Street, New York City. (X)(u)

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York were examined by Special Employee Investigator Wade Fuller and it was ascertained that NATHAN KATZ, 184 Sullivan Street, New York City, is married and has been living at his present address since October 1943, where he occupies a duplex apartment on the first and second floors of a four story house. KATZ, an attorney, is about thirty years of age, and is employed by the firm of MILBANK, TWEED and HOPE, 15 Broad Street, New York City. He has been in their employ since January 1944 and prior to this time he was employed for several years by the Office of Price Administration.

An inquiry was conducted at 1401 Avenue J, Brooklyn, New York, at the Rock-a-Bye Shop and information was obtained that the proprietors of this shop are HARRY CHERNOFF, LOUIS LIEBERBAUM and SIDNEY SHURGIN.

The records of Confidential Informant [REDACTED] revealed that HARRY CHERNOFSKY (CHERNOFF) was born in Russia, is 55 years of age, that he entered the United States in 1911 and that he is a naturalized American citizen. LOUIS LIEBERBAUM was reported to be 32 years of age and he was born in the United States. SIDNEY SHURGIN was reported to be 28 years of age, his birthplace is the United States, and his wife is JEANNE SHURGIN. It was further indicated that the proprietors of this shop maintain an account at the Brooklyn Trust Company, Avenue J Branch, Brooklyn, New York. b2 b7D

The files of the New York Field Division failed to reveal any information regarding CHERNOFSKY (CHERNOFF), LIEBERBAUM or SHURGIN.

Inasmuch as GREGG had been observed in the building at 221 West 57th Street, New York City, on April 26, 1946, the names of the tenants in this building were obtained from the Directory and the files of the New York Field Division were examined regarding these names but no information could be obtained to give any indication as to whom GREGG visited on this date.

Reference is made to a letter from the Washington Field Office, dated March 12, 1946 requesting that information be obtained as to the residents of Suite 406, 13 Astor Place, New York City.

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An examination of the tenants register at 13 Astor Place, New York City, revealed that the occupants of Suite 406 are the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, the Federated Press, and the individuals listed in this suite were MIRIAM KOLKIN and MARC STONE.

Upon receiving information from the Washington Field Division indicating that GREGG left Washington on May 22, 1946, Special Agents George J. Sullivan, James E. Tierney, Jr., and Francis D. O'Brien observed GREGG at Pennsylvania Station at 8:30 P.M. on that date. GREGG was observed entering the Seventh Avenue subway at Pennsylvania Station and his destination was to 25 Montgomery Place, Brooklyn, New York, where he entered at 10:15 P. M.

On May 23, 1946, GREGG was observed leaving 25 Montgomery Place, Brooklyn, New York, at 10:25 A. M. by Special Agents James P. Martin, Thomas J. Brownfield and Lawrence W. Spillane. GREGG was observed making several telephone calls in a local telephone booth and he then boarded the Seventh Avenue subway, destined to Times Square, New York City. GREGG was then observed entering the New York Times Building at Times Square, where he made several inquiries, and he then walked to another New York Times Building, 231 West 43rd Street, New York City. GREGG entered this building at 11:35 A. M. and was observed leaving at 11:48 A. M. He then proceeded to a drug store on Broadway, where he made several telephone calls and upon leaving this drug store he walked north on Broadway, at which time the surveillance was discontinued.

On May 24, 1946, GREGG was observed leaving 25 Montgomery Place, Brooklyn, New York, at 9:25 A. M., at which time he was carrying a black bag. GREGG was observed making several telephone calls in a local booth and he was overheard to say that he had to be in Washington, D. C. before Monday and that he would borrow a friend's car if he could not catch a train. GREGG then boarded the Seventh Avenue subway, destined to Pennsylvania Station, New York City. He then checked his black bag at Parcel Window #2 in Pennsylvania Station and proceeded to a cigar store on Seventh Avenue and 32nd Street, where he entered a telephone booth.

At 10:53 A. M. on this date, GREGG was observed entering 1265 Broadway and he rode to the seventh floor in this building. GREGG then left 1265 Broadway at 11:22 A. M. and proceeded to the Martinique Hotel, New York City, where he inquired for a room. GREGG was then seen walking east on 33rd Street, New York City, at which time the surveillance was discontinued.

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On May 24, 1946, at 10:45 P. M., GREGG was observed at Parcel Window #2, Pennsylvania Station, where he obtained his black bag and he was then seen entering a light blue automobile, license #5V4502, which was occupied by an unidentified man and woman. GREGG was surveilled by Special Agents James E. Tierney, Jr., and William G. O'Donnell to the city limits of New Rochelle, at which time the surveillance was discontinued.

A confidential source advised that no information could be obtained from the advertising section of the New York Times regarding JOSEPH GREGG.

The names of the tenants on the seventh floor of the building located at 1265 Broadway, New York City, were obtained and these names were checked through the files of the New York Field Division but no information was obtained to indicate who GREGG visited at this address.

An examination of the records of the Motor Vehicle Registration Bureau for 1946 registration 5V4502 revealed that this car is owned by EDNA E. BOGDANOFF, 34 Bonair Avenue, New Rochelle, New York.

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The following is being dictated by Special Agents Thomas G. Spencer and Joseph M. Kelly and represents information supplied to them by the above informant during the period May 14, 1946 to June 12, 1946:

During the two week interval from May 14, 1946 to May 28, 1946, regular contact with GREGORY was maintained. During this time, the informant had some conversations with RAY ELSON, the details of which are being set out in instant report under the caption relating to ELSON. No information believed pertinent has been developed in addition to that concerning ELSON, except that informant declared that it probably would be necessary for her to travel to Montreal, Canada in connection with the business affairs of her employer, the U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION.

On May 27, 1946, the informant advised that definite arrangements had been made for her to proceed to Montreal to the offices of the HEBREW IMMIGRATION AID SOCIETY, where she would attempt to negotiate an agency contract with Mr. SOLKIN (phonetic). It was learned that these negotiations had been instigated by HIAS and the venture appeared to be wholly legitimate and routine. By teletype to the Bureau dated May 28, 1946, the information was furnished that GREGORY was departing from New York City at 10:30 pm, Eastern Standard Time, via the Montreal Limited, having space on car #615, lower 1. This train was scheduled to arrive in Montreal at 7:30 am on May 29, 1946. It was also pointed out in that teletype that informant, after the conclusion of her business in Montreal, would proceed to the Laurentide Inn, Sainte Agathe des Montes, P. Q., and would leave Montreal for New York City on the evening of June 2, 1946.

The informant, of course, has been following the press accounts of the current prosecution in Canada of the alleged Russian spies, and noting that the trial of FRED ROSE was currently in progress in Montreal, speculated on the desirability of her attending part of the trial. Although the reporting agents did not attempt to forbid her from so attending, it was pointed out that she might possibly be recognized there and that it was felt it would be much more desirable if she did not attend the trial. After a discussion of the matter, she agreed that such a procedure would undoubtedly be wiser. It was further learned, prior to her departure, that she definitely did not plan to attempt to contact ROSE or any other acquaintances she may have in Canada.

On the informant's return to New York City on June 4, 1946, and in subsequent interviews, it was learned that her trip had been purely routine; that she had succeeded in negotiating an agency contract with MURRAY SOLKIN representing HIAS and that she had encountered none of her acquaintances in Canada.

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On the afternoon of June 7, 1946, the informant telephonically advised that she had just concluded a luncheon engagement with WILLIAM BROWDER, brother of EARL BROWDER, and during the course thereof, had learned that A. A. HELLER, well known in Communist Party circles in New York City, was planning to leave, via American Overseas Airlines, that day for Moscow, stopping enroute in London. The details of this conversation as they related to HELLER and BROWDER were immediately furnished to agents of this office handling the investigation of EARL BROWDER, and by them furnished to the Bureau by teletype under the caption of the BROWDER case. Accordingly, they are not being set out in detail in this report.

On June 10, 1946, the informant again discussed her meeting the previous Friday with WILLIAM BROWDER; considerable more information was secured on this occasion and is being reported by this office in the BROWDER case. The informant also reported that she had been in communication with RAY ELSON, and the circumstances of this contact are being set out in instant report under the caption of ELSON.

With reference to previous New York reports furnishing information that, on his forthcoming trip to Moscow, ERNEST ROPES of the United States Department of Commerce, will be accompanied by an official associate, it would appear that this individual is LESLIE L. LORWIN inasmuch as by teletype dated June 3, 1946, the Washington Field Division advised that ROPES and LOEWIN had both been granted visas by the USSR.

Reference is made to the Bureau's letter of April 9, 1946, in which it is suggested that an attempt be made to obtain additional information concerning the persons to whom and the gifts which GREGORY gave to these people during the time she was actively operating with this espionage ring. This matter has been gone over with Confidential Informant GREGORY on several occasions since the receipt of this letter. However, she is unable to furnish any information in addition to that which she originally furnished in her signed statement of November 30, 1945.

With reference to Bureau letter dated February 20, 1946, requesting that a photograph of ANGELA IDA MARGERY JUDITH CARMEL HAYDEN GUEST, with aliases, be secured and exhibited to Confidential Informant GREGORY to determine whether GUEST is identical with "CATHERINE", it is noted from a review of GUEST's file, that this individual is described by her landlady as being 5'2" in height; further that the records of Immigration and Naturalization reflect that GUEST entered the United States on December 29, 1939 as an English quota visitor. In view of the great disparity in height between this person and "CATHERINE" as furnished by the informant, together with the fact that GREGORY repeatedly reiterated the fact that "CATHERINE"

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speaks with a decided middle-west American accent, it is not felt that it would be worth while securing this photograph and exhibiting it to the informant.

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RE: ALEXANDER KORAL

The following information was dictated by Special Agent NICHOLAS M. KALMES and covers the period from May 3, 1946, through June 3, 1946. (u)

From Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, the following information concerning ALEXANDER KORAL and his family was obtained: b2 b7D

On May 3, 1946, it was ascertained that Mrs. KORAL contacted socially Mrs. BERT ARBETTOR (phonetic). Mrs. ARBETTOR is residing at the Barbizon Hotel. (u)

On this same day the above informant reported a contact between Mrs. KORAL and one PEGGY during which time they exchanged comments about the May Day parade. PEGGY spoke of a meeting of the ICCASP at which meeting a Unitarian Minister spoke condemning other churches which he said contributed to reactionary causes. Other speakers at this meeting were GENE KELLY, movie actor, Mrs. PAUL ROBESON and ADA JACKSON, a Negro worker in the Bedford-Stuyvesant section of Brooklyn. (u)

The above informant advised that there were no contacts of importance made by the KORALS during the period from May 4 through May 8, 1946. On May 9th Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that Mrs. KORAL was contacted by EMMA PHILLIPS concerning social matters. During the period from May 10 to May 21, 1946, there were no contacts of importance reported by this informant. On May 15th the informant reported that HELEN KORAL in a conversation with one FLORENCE stated that GILBERT KORAL was at the Mayo Clinic. On May 21st the informant reported a contact between GILBERT KORAL and a person whom he addressed as LOUIS. The informant thus indicates that GILBERT KORAL has returned home from the Mayo Clinic and is now residing with his parents at 290 Empire Boulevard, Brooklyn. (u) b2 b7D

On May 22, 1946, the informant reported no contact of importance. On May 23d the informant reported that an employee of the Western Union Company contacted HELEN KORAL and advised her that a telegram had been received from RICHARD (this is probably RICHARD KORAL, KORAL's oldest son). The telegram read as follows "Need \$70. Wire 20 today. Mail what you can. RICHARD". This telegram was sent from somewhere in North Carolina. On this same day Confidential Informant [redacted] reported a contact between Mr. and Mrs. KORAL in which Mrs. KORAL advised her husband that RICHARD had written a letter saying that he was (u) b2 b7D

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in a plan presented by the University involving the travel to China of fifty students for a year and a half. Mrs. KORAL also advised her husband that the above telegram had been received. ALEXANDER KORAL agreed to wire \$20 to RICHARD at Chapel Hill, North Carolina. (u)

There were no contacts of importance reported by Confidential Informant [redacted] from May 24 through May 28, 1946. (u) b2 b7D

On May 29th Confidential Informant [redacted] reported a contact between Mrs. KORAL and a person whom she addressed as MAX stating that Mrs. KORAL told MAX that she and GILBERT planned to go to the country (it is believed that when they state they are going to the country they are referring to the small farm which they own in the neighborhood of Bridgeton, Connecticut) for the summer and that Mr. KORAL planned to take Friday and Monday off and join them for a long weekend during each week throughout the summer. (u) b2 b7D

Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that there were no contacts by the KORALS from May 30 through June 2, 1946. On June 3, 1946, the informant reported a contact between ALEXANDER KORAL and members of his own family in which he stated that he, HELEN and GILBERT had returned from the country because GILBERT's health is reacting badly to the climate and he must return again to the south. It is indicated by his conversation that he was considerably distressed over this turn of events and that KORAL is faced with a large expense to return GILBERT to Florida. HELEN KORAL indicated during the same contact that she may attempt to obtain a part time job. (u) b2 b7D

As a result of a mail cover placed on ALEXANDER KORAL at 290 Empire Boulevard, Brooklyn, New York, the following names and addresses were obtained:

On May 7th a letter to Mr. ALEXANDER KORAL from Suite 21, 23 West 26th Street. The building at 23 West 26th Street is a remodeled building which houses a number of known Communist front organizations. At the time of the investigation the following names were noted on the mail receptacles of this building: PAUL ROBESON, MAX YERGAN, FREDERICK V. FIELD and the COMMITTEE TO WIN THE PEACE. The co-chairmen of the above committee are Colonel EVANS F. CARLSON and PAUL ROBESON. (u)

There were also letters from GILBERT KORAL, HOTEL MARTIN, Room 435, Rochester, Minnesota; and from the Corn Exchange Bank Trust Company, 188 Montague Street, Brooklyn, New York. (u)

The name ALEXANDER KORAL and a recent photograph of KORAL were submitted to the following Confidential National Defense Informants with negative results:

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[Re: MAURICE HALPERIN] (u)

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent William G. O'Donnell, on May 2, 3, 8 and 14, 1946, and was predicated upon a letter from the Washington Field Division, dated April 16, 1946, in which it was stated that on April 15, 1945, MAURICE HALPERIN, who is one of the subjects of instant investigation, contacted ROSALIE GRINSBERG, of 415 Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn, New York, while she was staying at the Hotel Belvedere, Baltimore, Maryland. Her correct name was ascertained to be ROSALIE GRINSBERG. (X)(u)

Mr. O. HANSON advised that the GRINSBERG family has resided at 415 Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn, New York, for the past three years. About two years ago, Mr. GRINSBERG died, and the only members of the family at the present time are the mother, a daughter, who is a school teacher, and a son, who was recently discharged from the United States Army, and is presently practicing law. He stated that the mother was about 60 years of age, but he could not furnish any description of the son or daughter. He advised that he thought the daughter's name was ROSALIE GRINSBERG.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, revealed the following information on Miss ROSALIE GRINSBERG, 415 Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn, New York. She is a teacher, employed by the New York City Board of Education. She is described as being 26 years of age (as of July, 1942), and is single. She resides with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. AARON (MARY) GRINSBERG. They have been residing at 415 Ocean Parkway, since June of 1942, in apartment 6-G, and occupy five rooms at an approximate rental of \$92 a month. They are well regarded as tenants. Prior to moving to this address, they resided at 2305 Avenue T, Brooklyn, New York, for ten years, where her parents were the reputed owners of a private residence of good description, located in a good section. As of December of 1936, Miss GRINSBERG was employed as a substitute teacher in the employ of the Board of Education, City of New York. Since September 1, 1931, she has been assigned to the Central High School of Needle Trades, 225 West 24th Street, New York City. She listed as a reference, Mr. IRWIN GRINSBERG, an attorney, of 1450 Broadway, who is her brother.

The records of the Board of Education, Room 501, 131 Livingston Street, Brooklyn, New York, revealed the following information in their file #110915. Miss ROSALIE GRINSBERG was born on August 10, 1910 at New York City. She began teaching as a substitute teacher on October 31, 1935, and was appointed as a regular teacher of English at Bay Ridge High School on October 31, 1938. She is a graduate of Adelphi College, in Garden City, Long Island, having received her degree in June of 1929. In this file was a photostatic copy of a birth certificate #44433, showing her date of birth as August 10, 1910 at New York City. This certificate shows that both of her parents were born in Russia. This certificate is in the name of LOTIE ROSIE GRINSBERG. However, Miss GRINSBERG filed an affidavit stating that her correct name was ROSALIE GRINSBERG, and

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further stated that her name on the birth certificate was a mistake made in translating the Russian name into English.


is an attorney, and VICTOR GRINSBERG was formerly associated with his father in the Grin Textile Corporation, 236 West 35th Street, New York City.

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Reference is made to the memorandum of Special Agent FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN made in instant case in the New York Field Office on April 4, 1946 wherein it is set forth that on March 27, 1946 information was received through [REDACTED]

The New York indices reflected that one ANNA BLOCK was a member of the Communist Party, Brooklyn, New York. It has not been ascertained whether or not this individual was identical with the ANNA BLOCK who met JULES KORCHIEN.

On January 24th and 25th, 1946 MAURICE HALPERIN, a subject in this case, was under surveillance and visited Room 1448, Lincoln Building, New York City on these dates. Investigation by Special Agent FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN has indicated that Room 1448, Lincoln Building is occupied by TOM FIZDALE, a public relations counselor.

A check of the New York Field Division indices has been made and it has been indicated there is but one reference to TOM FIZDALE, which reflects that FIZDALE is a member of the Advisory Committee of "Stage for Action Committee, Inc.", 130 West 42nd Street, New York. It appears that "Stage For Action Committee, Inc." is a group of well known theatrical figures who produce plays. Among the names on this list was that of the aforementioned TOM FIZDALE. The list is composed of approximately 40 names of which there are 10 names of persons who are key figures in the Communist Party in New York City. Among the 10 key figures are included such prominent persons as PAUL ROBESON, FREDERIC MARCH, and Congressman CLAYTON POWELL, as well as JOHN ABT, who is possibly identical with the person in whose home the Perlo Group of instant case met at one time.

Inquiry by WADE FULLER, Special Employee Investigator of the New York Field Office at the Immigration & Naturalization Service, 70 Columbus Avenue, New York City on May 21, 1946 indicated that TOM FIZDALE of 485 Madison Avenue, New York City was issued certificate No. A-25482, dated November 5, 1941. The Immigration & Naturalization Service files indicated that a certificate of derivative citizenship was issued to TOM FIZDALE and was filed in Los Angeles, California on November 14, 1941. It was further indicated that the Immigration & Naturaliza-

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tion Office at Los Angeles, California would have complete information on the issuance of this certificate.

Inquiry made by WADE FULLER at the Credit Bureau of Greater New York indicates that a record of that Credit Bureau, dated December 13, 1941 reflected that TOM FIZDALE resided at 24 West 55th Street, New York City and maintained a business at 485 Madison Avenue, New York City. It was stated that FIZDALE was a single man in the middle 40s and that his legal name is TOLYA FIZDALE but that he is known in business and private life as TOM FIZDALE.

It was further indicated that he has been a resident at 485 Madison Avenue, New York City since October 1, 1940; that he pays close to \$1500 a year for his apartment and is well regarded by the management of this large elevator apartment house. It was also indicated that he formerly resided at 2 Sutton Place South, New York City for a period of approximately 16 months.

His credit record indicated that FIZDALE is active in public relations and publicity under the firm name of Tom Fizdale, Inc. It was indicated that he organized this firm in Chicago, Illinois in 1930 succeeding a business originally established there in 1924 by a Mr. R. T. TAPLINGER. It was indicated that he maintains an office at 485 Madison Avenue from 1939 to the date of the report (December 13, 1941). Since active in New York he has handled publicity for such figures as BENNY GOODMAN, PAUL WHITMAN, and JOAN BLONDELL.

Under date of May, 1940 he signed a long term contract to handle all of the publicity for the Class B pictures of the Paramount Pictures, Inc. of Hollywood, California. According to the May, 1940 issue of "Variety" magazine, he received a fee of \$650 per picture for the aforementioned Paramount contract.

FIZDALE had a satisfactory credit rating in the aforementioned report.

Inquiry at Local Board 20, 331 Madison Avenue, New York City by Special Agent JOHN J. DANAHY on May 7, 1946 indicated that FIZDALE registered for Selective Service on February 15, 1942 and was issued order number 11476. He indicated that his telephone numbers were Circle 6-9546.

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and Eldorado 5-5580.

It was further indicated that he was born on September 9, 1904 at Nikoliev, Russia. He also stated that his wife was PHYLLIS DOBSON and that he resided with her at 24 West 55th Street. He advised his legal name was TOLYA FIZDALE.

In his Selective Service questionnaire dated June 8, 1942 FIZDALE gave his Social Security Number as [REDACTED] and stated that he was suffering from no known physical ailment but was presently consulting a psychoanalysis, one Dr. BERTRAM LEWIN, 32 East 64th Street, New York City.

He stated that he had a high school education and had spent eight years in his present employment as a public relations counselor and publicity man. He also advised that he was a consultant for the Division of Information, of the Office of Emergency Management and was also engaged as a consultant for the Bureau of Public Relations of the War Department.

He advised that he had his own corporation engaged in public relations work from which he received approximately \$25,000 per year. He stated that he was last married at Alexandria, Virginia on December 1st, 1945 to PHYLLIS DOBSON. He further indicated that he also contributes to the support of a former wife, ROBERTA FIZDALE and one child, TANYA, who reside at 43-23 Van Nuys Boulevard, Sherman Oaks, California.

His file further indicated a change of address on July 20, 1944 from 24 West 55th Street to 322 East 57th Street, both New York City and a subsequent change of address notification dated November 2, 1944 at which time FIZDALE indicated that he was moving to 485 Madison Avenue, and after December 1st, 1944 could be reached at 60 East 42nd Street, his business address. This notification was mailed by S. F. TENENT, FIZDALE's secretary.

The file indicated that FIZDALE has been classified 4A since December 20, 1944.

A description of FIZDALE obtained from his Selective Service file is as follows:

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NAME	<u>TOLYA FIZDALE, aka</u> <u>TOM FIZDALE</u>
AGE	41 years
DATE OF BIRTH	9/9/04; Nikoliev, Russia
RACE	White
HEIGHT	5'8"
WEIGHT	170 lbs.
EYES	Brown
HAIR	Black
COMPLEXION	Dark.

Inquiry made by Special Agent FRANK NOLAN of Celebrity Service, Inc. indicated that FIZDALE is a well known publicist and public relations man. This Service indicated that he was formerly a client of theirs and is well known in the entertainment field. They further advised that he has been associated with NAT WYNN and Mathanson & Associates, Inc. of 60 East 42nd Street, New York City.

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[RE: MAURICE HALPERIN] (u)

On Tuesday, May 28th, 1946, Special Agent R. A. Newby of the Washington Field Division telephonically advised the New York Field Division that MAURICE HALPERIN was believed to be leaving Washington, D. C. via the 9 A.M. Pennsylvania train destined for New York City. HALPERIN was expected to remain in New York City on the afternoon of May 28th and all day May 29th, returning to Washington, D. C. on May 29th. Special Agent Newby requested that a surveillance be placed on HALPERIN to ascertain his activities while in New York City. Accordingly, a physical surveillance was maintained on MAURICE HALPERIN from 1:47 P.M., May 28th, to 7:30 P.M., May 29th, by Special Agents J. R. Tierney, Roy J. Barloga, L. W. Spillane, and C. F. Lanman.

HALPERIN arrived in New York City at 1:47 P.M. on May 28th, and immediately proceeded to 38 East 51st Street, Manhattan, where he remained for a few moments after which he went to the office of GEORGE T. BYE, 12th floor, 535 Fifth Avenue.

On the evening of May 28th, HALPERIN registered at the Hotel Lexington, 48th Street and Lexington Avenue, jointly with one M. ROBERT ROGERS, and was assigned to Room 515. After registering at the Hotel Lexington, HALPERIN and ROGERS went to a restaurant known as the "Steak Joint Bar & Grill", 53 Greenwich Avenue, where they met two women described as follows:

Unknown Woman #1

Age	About 40
Hair	Dark
Complexion	Medium
Height	About 5' 6"
Weight	About 135
Clothing	Well dressed

Unknown Woman #2

Age	About 50
Hair	Gray
Complexion	Medium
Height	About 5' 5"
Weight	About 130
Clothing	Well dressed

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After dinner, HALPERIN, ROGERS, and the two women mentioned above left the restaurant and proceeded to the ROBO FRAME SHOP, 51 Greenwich Avenue, and by means of a key which was in the possession of one of the two women, entered this shop which had apparently been closed earlier in the evening. The two women remained in the shop for about five minutes after which they left the shop and entered an automobile, license #3N-3205. This car is a 1940 Pontiac Sedan listed to JANE C. ROGERS, 56 Seventh Avenue, New York, New York.

ROGERS and HALPERIN remained in the ROBO FRAME SHOP for a few minutes and then left the shop again after which they parted.

HALPERIN went to the Stanley Theater, 7th Avenue and 42nd Street, which was showing a picture entitled "Days and Nights", a motion picture dealing with the U.S.S.R. After viewing this motion picture, HALPERIN returned to the Hotel Lexington.

On May 29th, 1946, HALPERIN left the Hotel Lexington at 9:58 A.M. and proceeded to 521 Fifth Avenue, where he went to the offices of the American-Jewish Conference Executive Committee, 14th floor. HALPERIN remained in this office all day until 4:45 P.M., leaving only for a lunch period at a restaurant in the same building. During the lunch period he was accompanied by several men apparently from the above-mentioned office. HALPERIN left 521 Fifth Avenue at 4:45 P.M. and returned to the Hotel Lexington where he and ROGERS checked out of the hotel.

They engaged a taxi cab at the hotel and proceeded in the general direction of the Pennsylvania Station. En route, the taxi cab in which the surveilling agents were riding became entangled in a traffic jam and as a result of this the taxi cab in which the subjects were riding became lost from sight. The surveillance was immediately taken up at the Pennsylvania Station in an effort to determine whether HALPERIN boarded the 5 P.M. train for Washington, D. C. However, the results of this surveillance were negative. Agents remained at the station until 7:30 P.M. in an effort to locate HALPERIN.

While at the Hotel Lexington, the following calls were made from Room 515 which was occupied by HALPERIN and ROGERS:

MURRAY HILL 2-7197 - This phone is listed to the American-Jewish Conference, 521 Fifth Avenue.

BR 9-1216 - This phone is listed to BLOOMBERG & BLOOMBERG, 580 Fifth Avenue.

RE 4-4152 - This phone is listed to CHARLES WINTERS, 320 East 85th Street.

CH 3-4866 - This telephone is a non-published phone subscribed to by JANE CONSTANCE ROGERS, 56 Seventh Avenue.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Joseph Wohl on June 6 and 10, 1946, and is predicated upon a letter from the Washington Field Division requesting available background information on WILLIAM PLATT, who had been contacted by the subject.

Reference letter stated that subject, ALGER HISS contacted WILLIAM PLATT at his New York phone, EL 5-0456. This phone is located at PLATT's residence, 234 East 49 Street. There is a dual listing for WILLIAM PLATT, and other listing furnished being at 101 Park Avenue, where PLATT is engaged in business as an architect.

A check of the records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York was made by Special Employee Wade Fuller with negative results.

Reporting agent, under pretext, interviewed an individual standing in front of 234 East 49 Street, which is a two-family house, and ascertained the following information:

WILLIAM PLATT resides at this address with his wife and mother-in-law. His mother-in-law is MRS. FANNIE LITTELL, who owns the building. WILLIAM PLATT was just separated from the United States Navy, where he held the rank of Lieutenant Commander, and is at present an architect located at 101 Park Avenue. WILLIAM PLATT was described as 45 years of age, 6' tall, slender build, grayish hair, distinguished looking.

The indices of the New York Field Division were checked with negative results.

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Re: HARRY MAGDOFF

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Joseph Wehl on June 11, 1946, and is predicated on a letter received from the Washington Field Division requesting background information on ANNE GROSSMAN, who is a contact of subject MAGDOFF.

At the Credit Bureau of Greater New York Special Employee Wade Fuller secured the following information as of January, 1946:

MRS ANNA GROSSMAN resides at 175 East 151 Street, Bronx, New York, and is employed by the Jewish Welfare Board at 145 East 32 Street, New York City, as an Assistant Program Director, having been so employed since March, 1943. She is well spoken of there. She is in her early 30's and is single and lives with her parents, who occupy Apartment 6A at 175 East 151 Street, Bronx. The credit report further reflected that a monthly rental of \$65 is paid promptly, and that her father is in the real estate business.

At 175 East 151 Street, Bronx, the listings in the hallway were checked and it was ascertained that the GROSSMANs still reside at this address.

The indices of the New York Field Division were checked with negative results.

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Re: ROBERT TALBOTT MILLER, III [R(u)]

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Joseph Wehl on June 10 and 11, 1946, and is predicated on a letter from the Washington Field Division requesting the identity of SIDNEY and MINNIE STEIN, who visited the residence of the subject MILLER on April 7, 1946, and placed a collect telephone call to New York at Olenville 5-6005, be ascertained. [R(u)]

The Bronx directory of the New York Telephone Company was examined and it was ascertained that a SIDNEY STEIN resides at 1406 Hicks Street, Bronx, and has telephone listing Olenville 5-6005.

A check of the records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York was made by Special Employee Wade Fuller and the following information was secured: SIDNEY and MINNIE STEIN reside at 1406 Hicks Street, Bronx, and SIDNEY STEIN is presently a partner in Carpetoleum at 8 East 30 Street, New York. They formerly resided at 345 Cypress Avenue, Bronx. The New York Times of January 24, 1940, shows SIDNEY STEIN, a salesman of 1406 Hicks Street, Bronx, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the Southern District of New York, with liabilities of \$12,641, and assets of \$3,752. The New York Times of October 17, 1940, shows that SIDNEY STEIN was discharged in bankruptcy on that date.

At 1406 Hicks Street, Bronx, it was verified that the STEINs still reside there and have resided there for a period in excess of five years.

The indices of the New York Field Division were checked with negative results.

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It will be recalled that OLGA PRAVDIN and family departed for Russia on March 11, 1946 but that their apartment 8C at 125 Riverside Drive, New York City, is still occupied by their maid, CATHERINE DUFFY.

JEAN PETERSEN, superintendent at 125 Riverside Drive, ascertained on May 31, 1946 that the rent for June was paid on the PRAVDIN apartment by the Tass News Agency. VLADIMIR PRAVDIN, husband of OLGA, was employed by the Tass News Agency, located at 630 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

A highly confidential source was developed at 125 Riverside Drive by Special Agents J. J. Ryan, Lawrence W. Spillane, F. D. O'Brien, N. M. Kalnes, George J. Sullivan and Michael M. O'Rourke. The confidential source made available many pictures that were in an album in the apartment formerly occupied by OLGA PRAVDIN. These pictures are going to be shown to Informant GREGORY for the purpose of ascertaining whether they will assist in making an identification of some of the unidentified subjects in this case. The results of the display of these pictures to Informant GREGORY will be set out in a subsequent report. There were also several names and addresses that were in the apartment. It is not known whether these names and addresses belong to OLGA or to the maid, CATHERINE DUFFY; however, the names and addresses are being checked through the indices and an attempt will be made to ascertain whether the names and addresses are those of OLGA's or the maid's. Following is a list of the names and addresses that were available:

Dr. ALFRED HOLZMAN
110 East 42nd Street
Suite 1811
Caledonia 5-6308

The indices were checked on HOLZMAN with negative results.

M. NASH
150 West 72nd Street
New York City
TR 7-3300

The indices were checked on NASH with negative results.

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GRamercy 7-2975

A check of the indices on KLEIN was made with negative results.

4802 43rd Street
Apartment 5-E

It was ascertained that EDWARD V. O'NEILL resided at this address and this apartment. The indices were checked with negative results.

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5616 (76) Broadway
KI 6-3474~~MAY FAGAN~~
215 West 40th Street
ME 3-2585

The indices were checked with negative results on the above names.

A letter with the return address of ~~A. SEIDMAN~~, 107 Cady Street, Rochester, New York, was also made available. The indices were checked for this name with negative results.

There was also a sheet of paper with the following names and addresses:

~~W. F. ZUCKERT~~
San Francisco, California

A check of the indices was made on ZUCKERT with negative results.

~~Mrs. M. HALTON~~
1427 Hollywood

A check of the indices was also made on Mrs. HALTON with negative results.

The names, Mrs. RICHTER and Mrs. HUGHES, were also found on this sheet of paper. The indices showed many references in the names of RICHTER

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and HUGHES but it was not possible to establish the identity of the two names as set out in the sheet of paper. Also found on this sheet of paper was the phone number TALmadge 2-0960.

Names, addresses and phone numbers will be checked further and the results will be set out in a subsequent report.

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[Re: RUTH RIFKIN] (u)

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Joseph Wohl on June 6, 1946 and is predicated on a letter from the Washington Field Division dated May 13, 1946 requesting investigation as to the identity of the residents of 470 West 24th Street, Apartment 2-A, New York City who have been correspondents of subject, RUTH RIFKIN. (u)

Mr. J. E. DALEY, Manager of the London Terrace Apartment at 470 West 24th Street, New York City checked his records and ascertained that Apartment 2-A at this address is occupied by HERBERT J. CONHAIM and his daughter, JEAN L. CONHAIM. They have resided in this apartment for the past four months, taking occupancy on February 22, 1946. The record further reflected that he is employed by N. ERLANGER-BLUMGART COMPANY at 356 Fourth Avenue, New York City as sales and advertising manager and executive. This company is a textile manufacturing company. It was further determined that Mr. CONHAIM has a checking account at the Public National Bank located at 24th Street and Broadway, New York City and maintains a balance in the low four figures.

Mr. DALEY contacted the doorman who advised him that Mr. CONHAIM was about fifty-five years of age, weighed 155 pounds, was 5' 8 1/2" tall, had grayish hair, and wears glasses and a hearing aid device. Mr. CONHAIM'S daughter, JEAN, is about twenty-two years of age.

The indices of the New York Field Division were checked, and it was ascertained that a Foreign Travel Control file, New York 108-2192, was maintained on a HERBERT JOSEPH CONHAIM, who is identical with the individual occupying Apartment 2-A at 470 West 24th Street, New York City. This file reflects that Mr. CONHAIM arrived in the United States on an ATC plane on May 8, 1945 and presented United States passport #41173 which had been issued on October 5, 1944. He was born October 15, 1887 in St. Paul, Minnesota and was a representative of UNRRA and had left the United States on business for UNRRA. All of his time outside of the United States was spent in the European theater.

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Reference is made to letter dated April 15, 1946 from the Washington Field Division requesting the New York Field Division to ascertain the identity of and furnish background information on Mrs. LESTER M. LEVIN, who was telephonically contacted by ALLAN R. ROSENBERG, a subject in instant case, on September 24, 1945. *LC u*

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Joseph Wohl and covers the period from May 20 through May 22, 1946:

The indices of the New York Field Division were checked and reflected that the phone number listed to Mrs. LESTER M. LEVIN at 524 East 87th Street, New York City, was found in the possession of one ADRIAN W. ROSENBAUM, subject of New York case entitled "ADRIAN WERETNIKOV ROSENBAUM, was., et al; ESPIONAGE - R".

At the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, the following information concerning Mrs. LESTER M. LEVIN was secured by Special Employee Wade Fuller:

Mrs. LEVIN, nee JANET WHITEREAD, resides at 524 East 87th Street, New York City and former residences were listed as follows:

425 East 86th Street
New York City

120 C Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

201 Eighth Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

136 West Fourth Street
New York City

Baltimore, Maryland

Indianapolis, Indiana

She is a young woman in her early 30's and her husband is an attorney in the offices of WOLF, POPPER, ROSS & WOLF at 160 Broadway, New York City. They have one child.

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The family reside at 524 East 87th Street, New York City, which is a good class private dwelling converted into two apartments. They have lived there for over a year and are reported to be owners of this house.

Correspondence of the New York Credit Bureau reflected that since October, 1941, Mrs. LESTER M. LEVIN resided at 120 C Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C. and that she was born in 1914. She was employed while in Washington by the Office of War Information as an Associate Information Specialist, appointed in September of 1942, and formerly had been employed by the Department of Commerce Consumer's Council Division, as assistant writer from March 28, 1940. Prior to that time, she had been employed in the Advertising Department of the Raleigh Haberdashers in Washington.

Her husband was in the United States Coast Guard as a Lieutenant (j.g.) having entered the service in September of 1942 and was formerly employed by the N.L.R.B. in the Standard Oil Building as a regional attorney, having been appointed to this position, January 6, 1936.

The files of the Credit Bureau further reflect that Mrs. LEVIN's husband is an attorney by profession and is an associate attorney identified with WOLF, POPPER, ROSS & WOLF, a reputable law firm where his association commenced in January of 1946. He is reputedly in receipt of a fairly good income from his present connection and is well regarded by his law firm.

Mrs. LEVIN is a free lance writer now but in the past had been employed by the War Activities Committee of the Motion Picture Industry, where she was a publicity writer with them. At one time she was also employed as a copy writer for L. BAMBERGER & CO., Newark, New Jersey, and also for a time prior to her marriage was employed by Time Magazine in New York City. She has had considerable experience as a writer and now works on a free lance basis as a publicity writer from her residence at 524 East 87th Street.

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The file also reflects that a joint checking account is maintained by LESTER M. and JANET LEVIN at the Corn Exchange Bank, York Avenue Branch, and that the balances are in the low four figure amounts. This joint checking account has been maintained since February of 1946.

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Re: ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN

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The following investigation was conducted re: ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN, from April 26 to April 30, 1946.

On April 20, 1946 information was received from the Washington Field Division by telephone that ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN was due to arrive in New York City on Flight #310, American Airlines at 10:45 AM. It was stated that this individual was accompanied by one CHRISTOPHER WAGNER. It was requested that a surveillance be maintained on the activities of SILVERMAN while he was in New York City.

Pursuant to receipt of this information Special Agents William G. O'Donnell and John E. Broderick met SILVERMAN and CHRISTOPHER WAGNER as they alighted from American Airlines plane at LaGuardia Field at 10:45 AM on April 26, 1946. SILVERMAN and WAGNER proceeded from the airport by American Airlines limousine to New York City. WAGNER alighted from this limousine at 49th Street and Lexington Avenue and proceeded to the New Weston Hotel at 49th Street and Madison Avenue. ABRAHAM SILVERMAN alighted from the American Airlines limousine at the American Airlines Terminal, Park Avenue and 42nd Street. Because of traffic conditions and for security reasons the surveillance was discontinued at this point.

ABRAHAM SILVERMAN was not seen the rest of that day, April 26, 1946, but under pretext it was ascertained from the French Supply Mission, 44 Beaver Street that SILVERMAN had been in the offices of this mission all afternoon and had left at 6 PM. He was expected back at these offices the following morning on April 27, 1946.

SILVERMAN was observed entering the building occupied by the French Supply Mission, 44 Beaver Street at 10:25 AM on April 27, 1946. At 11:50 AM under pretext it was ascertained that SILVERMAN was still in the offices of the French Supply Mission. SILVERMAN was not seen leaving the building occupied by the French Supply Mission on April 27, 1946.

The Washington Field Division advised by telephone at 11:05 AM on April 27, 1946 that ABRAHAM SILVERMAN was staying at the home of JACK W. FIELD, telephone GR 3-0476. A check was immediately made with Confidential Informant [redacted] and it was determined that this number was listed under the name of the HILITE PROCESS COMPANY, 117 East 17th Street, New York City. This company is owned and operated by JACK W. FIELD, who, it will be noted, is a friend of Mrs. GEORGE SILVERMAN and CHARLES HEIDT. FIELD is also mentioned as a contact of LUDWIG ULLMAN.

A surveillance was maintained in front of 117 East 17th Street on April 28th and the morning of April 29, 1946, but ABRAHAM SILVERMAN was not seen during this period.

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It was ascertained on April 29, 1946 that ABRAHAM SYLVESTER had returned to Washington, D. C., and for this reason the surveillance was discontinued.

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[RE: ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN]

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In accordance with a letter from the Washington Field Division dated April 22, 1946, the following investigation was conducted on May 29, 1946 and June 3, 1946 by Special Agent William A. Johnson:

On June 3, 1946, Chief of Police RAYMOND NINESLING, King's Point Police Department, King's Point, New York, was interviewed and advised that he is well acquainted with Colonel SOL ROSENBLATT and has known him well for at least the last ten years. He advised that ROSENBLATT is a lawyer, and maintains offices at 630 Fifth Avenue, New York City and maintains his residence at 421 East Shore Road, Great Neck, Long Island, New York, which is a very exclusive residential section. According to NINESLING, ROSENBLATT has maintained his residence at this address for the last eighteen or nineteen years and is well regarded and respected in the community.

During the War ROSENBLATT served as a full Colonel in the U. S. Army Air Corps as Chief of Special Advisory Group, Material and Maintenance Division and was stationed at the Pentagon Building, Washington, D. C. Chief NINESLING advised that ROSENBLATT is now out of the Army, and is again practicing law at 630 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Chief NINESLING further advised that he had had some correspondence with ROSENBLATT a little over two years ago, at which time ROSENBLATT had tried to interest him in joining the Air Corps. In one of the letters to NINESLING, ROSENBLATT had told him that one Lt. Colonel E. K. MERRITT, AAF Command, Wright Field, would be the person that would aid him in getting into the Air Corps. It was NINESLING's recollection that ROSENBLATT had told him that E. K. MERRITT was a former Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and that MERRITT was a very good friend of ROSENBLATT.

NINESLING further advised that although he had not seen ROSENBLATT much in the last two years, he had always considered ROSENBLATT to be one hundred percent for the United States, and had always shown a great deal of enthusiasm over his service in the Army. According to NINESLING, ROSENBLATT is presently trying to get a divorce from his wife, ELIZABETH B. ROSENBLATT. Further, ROSENBLATT has three sons, WILLIAM ARTHUR ROSENBLATT, age 21, ROBERT A. ROSENBLATT, age 18, and RICHARD L. ROSENBLATT, age 16. Chief NINESLING stated he was almost certain that ROSENBLATT was not affiliated with any un-American groups of any kind and that since he has known ROSENBLATT, the latter has not traveled out of the country as a civilian because it would have been necessary for him to get a permit to leave from NINESLING as his local Chief of Police.

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A check of the Selective Service records of Local Board #713, Great Neck, New York, reflected a record on WILLIAM ARTHUR ROSENBLATT, the son of SOL ROSENBLATT. He had apparently entered the service prior to the time he was eighteen years of age inasmuch as the first record his local board had on him was when he registered after he had been discharged from the Army, on March 18, 1946. This registration gave his father's address as 630 Fifth Avenue, New York City, and home address as 421 East Shore Road, Great Neck, New York, and his birthdate as May 19, 1925.

Chief NINESLING described SOL ROSENBLATT as follows:

Name	SOL ROSENBLATT
Home Address	421 East Shore Road, Great Neck, N. Y.
Business address	630 Fifth Avenue
Age	46 (believes American born)
Height	5' 7"
Hair	Dark brown, thin
Build	Chunky
Race	Jewish
Occupation	Lawyer
Marital status	Married
	Wife - ELIZABETH B. ROSENBLATT (now awaiting divorce)

Sons:

WILLIAM ARTHUR ROSENBLATT, age 21
ROBERT A. ROSENBLATT, age 18
RICHARD L. ROSENBLATT, age 16

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent JOHN J. DANAHY on May 7th and 8th and June 3, 1946:

Reference is made to a letter from the Washington Field Office, dated April 11, 1946 requesting the New York Field Office to furnish available background information on ~~JOE SUSMAN~~, 125 West 168th Street, New York City, who is a representative of the Bulova Watch Company, 650 Fifth Avenue, New York City. On March 15, 1946 the subject, SILVERMAN contacted SUSMAN at the Statler Hotel in order to have him obtain plane reservations.

A check of the New York Field Division indices indicated no reference to JOE SUSMAN.

Inquiry at Local Board 86, located at 125 B West 168th Street, Bronx, New York indicated that JOE SUSMAN registered for Selective Service on February 15, 1942 and was assigned order number 11056. He indicated that his telephone number was JEROME 6-6627 and that he resided at 125 West 168th Street. He stated he was born on May 10, 1902 at Nikolaev, Russia and that his wife SADYE resided with him at the above address.

In his Selective Service questionnaire dated June 8, 1942 he stated that he holds Social Security No. [REDACTED] and was employed by the Bulova Watch Company, 650 Fifth Avenue, New York City where he is in charge of machine tools and equipment for war production work then being performed by the Bulova Watch Company. He stated that he had held this position for the past year and was earning \$100 per week, plus bonus. b7c

He further indicated that he was married on June 17, 1937 at Bronx, New York and that his wife SADYE SUSMAN had earned approximately \$2,239 during the year 1941. He also stated that during that same year he had earned \$2,460.

His file indicated that on August 10, 1942 JOE SUSMAN by letter to the Local Board advised that his wife had left her position. He further stated in this letter that he paid \$45 per month rent and was not a citizen of the United States and had been issued alien registration certificate No. 3079400. He also stated that he had filed a declaration of intention at Los Angeles, California approximately 20 years ago.

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SUSMAN's file also contained a letter dated June 10, 1942 from A. BULOVA, Chairman of the Board of the Bulova Watch Company, 650 Fifth Avenue, New York City wherein Mr. BULOVA stated that this individual was in charge of machine tools and equipment for the Bulova factories at Providence, Rhode Island, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and Woodside, Sag Harbor, Long Island City, and Valley Stream, New York. The letter further stated that SUSMAN was a necessary man for war production work and was engaged in negotiating contracts at the Frankfurt Arsenal, Ordnance Department of the War Department and the War Production Board.

On June 30, 1943 SUSMAN returned a registrant's affidavit of family status and dependents which indicated that his income in the previous year amounted to \$25,000. He further stated that his mother was ZLOTTA SUSMAN of 245 North Soto Street, Los Angeles, California; that he had a brother, KARL SUSMAN of 2257 Blaine, Detroit, Michigan and a sister, SARAH GLICKMAN of 113 1/2 North Chicago Street, Los Angeles, California.

In this affidavit SUSMAN stated that he had charge of all priorities for Government contracts and negotiations of contracts for altimeters, rate of climb indicators, navigation watches, eight day clocks, arm fuses and telescopes being manufactured by the Bulova Watch Company for the United States Air Corps and was in charge of all machine tools and equipment for this war production work.

SUSMAN's Selective Service file also indicated that on July 6, 1944 he notified his Local Board of the birth of a daughter, DIANE MAE, born June 30, 1944.

Inquiry made at the Credit Bureau of Greater New York by WADE FULLER, Special Employee Investigator on May 8, 1946 indicated no reference to SUSMAN in the files of that Bureau.

WADE FULLER on May 20, 1946 made inquiry at the Immigration & Naturalization Service, 70 Columbus Avenue, New York but found no record of SUSMAN at that Service.

The criminal files of the New York City Police Department were likewise checked with negative results.

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A description of SUSMAN obtained from his Selective Service file is as follows:

NAME	JOE SUSMAN
AGE	44 years
DATE OF BIRTH	5/10/02; Nikolaev, Russia
RACE	White
HEIGHT	5'9"
WEIGHT	190 lbs.
EYES	Brown
HAIR	Brown
COMPLEXION	Dark
SCAR	On left side of neck under chin
MARITAL STATUS	Married; wife SADYE SUSMAN
RESIDENCE	125 West 168th Street, Bronx, New York
REMARKS	Suffering from stomach and prostrate gland trouble

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RE: ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN (u)

The following investigation concerning the activities of ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN for the period of May 9 and 10, 1946, at which time he was under surveillance in New York City, is reported by Special Agent H. Courtney Clinch:

At 11:00 am on May 9, 1946, Special Agent Robert Newby of the Washington Field office telephonically advised Special Agent Edward W. Dooley that ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN had left Washington, D. C. at 8:00 am, Eastern Standard Time, and was due to arrive at Penn Station, New York City, at 12:30 pm on this same date; also that SILVERMAN was occupying seat #20 in car #241. Agent Newby stated that SILVERMAN was accompanied by one JOE GOULD. Newby requested that the contacts of SILVERMAN only be ascertained and that GOULD was not to be placed under surveillance. Special Agents George J. Sullivan and the reporting agent were instructed to proceed to Newark, New Jersey to take up the surveillance of SILVERMAN at that point.

The agents boarded the train at Newark, New Jersey at 1:10 pm and ascertained that SILVERMAN was in car #241. SILVERMAN was conversing with two men, one of whom was believed to have been JOE GOULD and the other not identified. At 1:30 pm, the train arrived at Penn Station, New York City, and SILVERMAN, accompanied by GOULD and the other man previously mentioned, proceeded on foot to the Hotel New Yorker, 34 Street and Eighth Avenue, New York City. At the entrance to the subway at the Hotel New Yorker, GOULD and the other individual departed from SILVERMAN, and SILVERMAN proceeded alone to the desk of the Hotel New Yorker and registered there and was assigned room #1873, to which he proceeded immediately, accompanied only by the bellboy at the Hotel.

SILVERMAN was not observed leaving the hotel during the entire evening, and at 11:40 pm, he was observed entering the hotel. He obtained his key and went directly to his room which he had engaged. At 12:30 am, the surveillance was discontinued.

It was ascertained through a confidential source that reservations for SILVERMAN had been made by the FRENCH SUPPLY MISSION, 111 Broadway, New York City. It was also ascertained that SILVERMAN had received a message from a Mr. FIELD, telephone Circle 7-5766, for SILVERMAN to call him before midnight on this date. At 11:45 pm, SILVERMAN called up and spoke to the Mr. FIELD referred to and addressed him as "JACK". The call involved a business deal which SILVERMAN stated he was attempting to put through and which would net him \$100,000. SILVERMAN also stated that he did not want JOE GOULD mentioned or mixed up in this business deal with him.

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At 10:25 pm on this date, a message was left for SILVERMAN to call a Mr. SUSSMAN. (u)

It is to be noted that JACK FIELD was previously contacted by SILVERMAN while in New York City and he is believed to be JACK W. FIELD, 350 West 57 Street, New York City, telephone Circle 7-5766, which number corresponds with the number SILVERMAN made the call to on June 10, 1946. (u)

A review of the New York Field Division indices reflects considerable information concerning JACK FIELD. It has been previously reported in instant case.

The Mr. SUSSMAN referred to herein before is believed to be identical with one JOE SUSSMAN, 125 West 168 Street, New York City, who was previously contacted by ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN, and concerning whom a letter was forwarded to the New York Field Division requesting an investigation of his background. Special Agent John J. Danahy ascertained the background of SUSSMAN and same has been reported in instant report.

On May 10, 1946, a surveillance was instituted on SILVERMAN at the Hotel New Yorker at 8:00 am, and at 9:35 am, he was observed leaving the hotel. Efforts were made to develop a confidential source of information who might obtain access to the effects of SILVERMAN, but SILVERMAN was not observed returning to the hotel, and it was subsequently determined that he had checked out of the hotel at 1:30 pm on May 10, 1946, and had left no forwarding address. It is believed that SILVERMAN returned to Washington, D. C. inasmuch as he had previously indicated to JACK FIELD that he was going to return to Washington on May 10, 1946.

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RE: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Michael M. O'Rourke. The period covered was May 27, 28 and 29, 1946. The surveillance of NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER was conducted by Special Agent Joseph T. Genco, James P. Martin, Thomas J. McShane, John B. Simmons, George J. Sullivan and Michael M. O'Rourke. U

SILVERMASTER arrived at Penn Station, New York City on May 27, 1946 at 6:44 PM. He then proceeded to the Hotel New Yorker, where he was registered at Room 1056. No further activity for the day was noted. U

On May 28, 1946, it was ascertained that SILVERMASTER, after his leaving his hotel, spent the day at the offices of the War Assets Administration, located at 40 Wall Street, New York City. At 4:50 PM on the same day, SILVERMASTER entered the Hotel New Yorker and proceeded to his room, #1056. At 7:50 PM, SILVERMASTER left the Hotel New Yorker and proceeded by the IRT Subway to 59th Street and Columbus Circle from whence he walked to and entered the Hotel Pierre at 725 Fifth Avenue. He entered the hotel at 8:25 PM and proceeded to Suite 3 wherein a meeting of the New Council of American Business was being held. SILVERMASTER delivered a speech at this meeting. At 11:15 PM, SILVERMASTER left the Hotel Pierre and proceeded by taxicab to a local restaurant where he ate and from whence he proceeded to and entered the Hotel New Yorker where he went to and entered Room 1056. No further activity was noted. U

A review of the files of the New York Office reflects that the New Council of American Business is the same as the Businessmen of America. The files further reflect that it was ascertained through a confidential informant that on August 21, 1944 CARL BRISTEL, Publicity Director of the Electronics Corporation of America, contacted GIL GREEN, then an important functionary of the Communist Political Association, and told him that he was working on an important assignment and wished to consult with him on this assignment, stating that his assignment was connected with business and indicating that he was working on the establishment of a progressive chamber of commerce to compete with the National Association of Manufacturers. As previously stated, the organization of Businessmen of America is presently operating under the name, the New Council of American business, and maintains offices in Washington, D. C. CARL BRISTEL, referred to, is the Communist Party name for S. A. BECKER, a former editor and business manager of New Masses. BRISTEL is believed to have been in contact with ARTHUR ADAMS, an important Soviet espionage agent who formerly operated in the New York area. U

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On May 29, 1946 at 7:45 AM, SILVERMASTER left the Hotel New Yorker, proceeded to a local restaurant where he ate breakfast and after eating breakfast, he entered the 34th Street Station of the Seventh Avenue Subway and proceeded to Wall Street from whence he walked to and entered 40 Wall Street, took the elevator to the 7th Floor and entered the offices of the War Assets Administration at 9:00 AM. At 11:10 AM, SILVERMASTER left 40 Wall Street and accompanied by an unidentified man, described as 6' tall and weighing about 200 lbs., walked to Broadway and Wall Street where they both entered a taxicab. They proceeded in the taxicab to the B. & G. Restaurant, located at 312 Broadway where they both ate. At 12:20 PM, SILVERMASTER alone left the B. & G. Restaurant and walked south on Broadway to 40 Wall Street where he entered. At 1:05 PM, SILVERMASTER left 40 Wall Street, proceeded via the Seventh Avenue Subway to 34th Street and walked to and entered the Hotel New Yorker. At 2:35 PM, SILVERMASTER entered the lobby of the Hotel New Yorker accompanied by two unidentified men described as follows:

One was a United States Army Captain with a patch on his right shoulder containing the words "U. S. Army University Faculty". He is described as follows:

Age:	34 to 35 years
Height:	5' 10" to 11"
Weight:	160 lbs.
Build:	Slender
Hair:	Dark brown
Complexion:	Poch-marked
Characteristics:	Small mustache

The other person who at the time carried SILVERMASTER's bag was a civilian and is described as follows:

Age:	40 to 45 years
Height:	5' 7"
Weight:	155 lbs.
Build:	Stocky
Complexion:	Fair
Characteristics:	Wore rimless glasses; had a moon round face; wore a dark grey suit, one inch pencil stripe and a brown snap brim hat.

At 2:40 PM, SILVERMASTER and the two unidentified men left the Hotel New Yorker and proceeded out onto 8th Avenue where the Army Captain departed and SILVERMASTER and the other man proceeded to and entered Penn Station, where SILVERMASTER purchased a ticket to Philadelphia for the 3:00 PM train. At 3:00 PM

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the unidentified man departed and SILVERMASTER boarded Pennsylvania Rail Road train for Philadelphia. SILVERMASTER was accompanied on this trip to Philadelphia by Special Agents James P. Martin and Thomas J. McShane. During the course of the trip SILVERMASTER was not observed to make any contacts. At 4:45 PM, SILVERMASTER left the train at the Broad Street Station, Philadelphia. At this point, the surveillance was turned over to the Agents of the Philadelphia Office.

While at the Hotel New York, Special Agents N. M. Kalmes, F. D. O'Brien, D. E. Shannon and Thomas G. Spencer developed a highly confidential source at the Hotel New Yorker which made available the contents of SILVERMASTER's briefcase. A perusal of the material made available by the highly confidential source disclosed that for the most part the writing contained in the briefcase concerned itself with a discussion of the Surplus Property Act, problems of the War Assets Administration, applications for positions with the War Assets Administration and several names and addresses listed as follows:

~~SARA~~ TURNER
925 M Street Northwest
Washington, D. C.

~~JACK~~ KAUFMAN
4126 Third Road North
Arlington, Virginia

~~REBA (ROGERS)~~ LEWIS
R. F. D. #3
1605 Holly Street
Longview, Texas

The following phone numbers were also obtained:

Executive 7900
DI 2200
RE 4600
District 2918
District 5700 - Ext. 468
CH 4-7300 - Ext. 484
Lowland 8466
Ashland 4-2135
NMU CHelsea 3-0220

CHelsea 3-0220 is listed to the National Maritime Union Headquarters located at 437 West 17th Street, New York City.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Donald E. Shannon [and includes activities from May 8, 1946 to June 10, 1946:] (u)

~~Confidential Informant~~ [redacted] who is in a position to ascertain activities in the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN at 20 East 53rd Street, New York City and who is also in a position to advise of the known contacts who have business with Dr. WEINSTEIN and his associates, supplied the following information regarding the above mentioned activities and contacts. (u)

On May 6, 1946 HERBERT MAY, a known contact of Dr. WEINSTEIN, informed Dr. WEINSTEIN that he had spent a weekend in the Dominican Republic; that he had just returned; that, further, he contemplated spending the following week in Chicago, Illinois and that for this reason he would have to postpone his dental appointment with Dr. WEINSTEIN for a future date. HERBERT MAY did inform Dr. WEINSTEIN that his son, PHILIP, would be at the office at 4:30 P. M. on the following day and that his other son, HERBERT, JR., would be at the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN on Thursday of that week. (u)

This informant further advised that on May 9, 1946, HERBERT and PHILIP MAY were at the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN and at that time PHILIP MAY advised Dr. WEINSTEIN that his sister-in-law, Mrs. MENTAGO (phonetic) would be in the office on that day. (u)

On May 9, 1946 Mrs. ANNE CHESTER of Woodbourne, New York, contacted the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN relative to a dental appointment. Mrs. ANNE CHESTER is the manager and owner of Chesters Zumborg Lodge at Woodbourne, New York. (u)

ERIC BERNAY, subject of an Internal Security - R investigation, with New York as origin, is a known contact of ARTHUR ADAMS and spent four weeks of his vacation at Chesters Zumborg Lodge, owned and operated by ANNE CHESTER at Woodbourne, New York, in the Summer of 1945.

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On May 14, 1946 GREGORY RATOFF, the Hollywood actor, contacted the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN and made an appointment to be at the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN at 3:30 P.M. on that afternoon. (u)

On May 14, 1946 an unknown man, who, the informant advised, spoke with a foreign accent, contacted the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN and was advised at that time that the Doctor was not present. This unknown man stated that he wanted to know about picking up parcels containing some material to be sent to Yugoslavia. This man said that he thought the Yugoslav Embassy made out the order to him, meaning Dr. WEINSTEIN. No further clarification of this conversation was obtained by the Confidential Informant. (u)

On May 15, 1946 JOSEPH ELSON, husband of RAY ELSON a subject of instant investigation, contacted the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN and advised that he would be in the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN on the following Tuesday at 3:30 P. M. (u)

On May 16, 1946 Mrs. BASIE, wife of COUNT BASIE, the orchestra leader, contacted the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN and inquired about her husband's appointment for that day. She was advised that her husband could come in for a dental appointment at 11:00 A. M. on that date. (u)

On May 17, 1946 JACK LICHTENFELD, A. B. WEINSTEIN's accountant, contacted the Doctor and advised him that he was going to the West Coast very shortly and that he would visit the Doctor's brother, JOHN WEBER, 919 1/2 North La Jolla Street, Hollywood, California. (u)

NICK CONTE, a Hollywood actor, on May 18, 1946, contacted the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN and made an appointment for 3:30 P. M. on that date. (u)

On May 20, 1946 this informant advised that CLIFFORD ODETS' secretary contacted the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN and advised that Mrs. ODETS would be in for a dental appointment at 11:30 A. M. on the following Wednesday. (u)

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On May 20, 1946 this informant advised that DOROTHY McAVOY, a well-known friend of Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN, contacted WEINSTEIN's secretary BETTY HEART and advised that she was sending in a Miss BOSSART (phonetic.) Miss McAVOY stated that this woman was quite wealthy and could easily afford a \$25,000 dental fee and that the office should not hesitate to charge her accordingly. (u)

On May 21, 1946 Dr. LEON GERBER, who is employed by Dr. WEINSTEIN, contacted POLLOCK (phonetic) at the INTERNATIONAL WORKERS ORDER. This informant stated that it was his understanding that POLLOCK was the father-in-law of LEON GERBER. In the discussion that took place between GERBER and POLLOCK they talked of a party named JOE KUTCHER, who was described as a liberal but not a comrade. LEON GERBER stated that KUTCHER was a former classmate of his and that he was desirous of obtaining a connection with the INTERNATIONAL WORKERS ORDER. (u)

This informant advised that on May 22, 1946 EDGAR SNOW, the writer and a known Communist sympathizer, was at the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN. (u)

On May 22, 1946 this informant advised that BETTY HEART, secretary to Dr. WEINSTEIN, placed a long-distance call to GREGORY BAUTZER at Beverly Hills, California, and at that time BAUTZER stated that he would be in New York on June 8, 1946 for his dental appointment. GREGORY BAUTZER is a well-known Hollywood playboy and he is the individual who introduced HERBERT MAY to Dr. WEINSTEIN. (u)

This informant advised that on May 24, 1946 he was made aware of the fact that Dr. WEINSTEIN was financially embarrassed. On that date there was discussion between employees in Dr. WEINSTEIN's office of having checks signed but holding them to cash them at a later date when funds were available. (u)

On May 24, 1946 LEON GERBER again contacted POLLOCK (phonetic) of the INTERNATIONAL WORKERS ORDER and again a discussion took place regarding the placing of a mutual friend in a job with the INTERNATIONAL WORKERS ORDER. (u)

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On May 24, 1946 GERBER contacted an individual identified only as ~~MICKY~~, who is a cousin of his, and at that time GERBER advised MICKY that his father-in-law was the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer of the IWO and that the IWO was looking for a dentist for its clinic at 80 - 5th Avenue, New York City. GERBER stated that they were to pay \$85 to \$90 a week for such a dentist. (u)

On May 27, 1946 HERBERT MAY, SR., contacted the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN and advised that he was at that time in Washington, D. C., but stated that he would be in New York the following week for several days and that he would be in to see the Doctor at that time. He remarked that his son, PHILIP, was in New York at that time, while his son, HERBERT, JR., was at present in South America. (u)

On June 5, 1946 a telegram was sent through Western Union from the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN to Mrs. FRIEDA FABKIN, 3711 Canal Road, Northwest, Washington, D. C., which stated, "Have arranged appointment 12:30, June 12," signed, "Dr. A.B. Weinstein." (u)

On June 4, 1946 Dr. WEINSTEIN was in contact with Dr. HAROLD AARON, subject of an Internal Security - C investigation and also the personal physician of Dr. WEINSTEIN. (u)

On June 4, 1946 Dr. ARNOLD GEIGER, 2 East 54th Street, New York City, contacted Dr. WEINSTEIN and stated that he was talking to him on behalf of the Dentists' Committee for the passage of the Murray-Wagner-Dingle Bill and he asked Dr. WEINSTEIN for names of other progressive dentists who might be enlisted to aid in fighting for the passage of this bill. Dr. WEINSTEIN told Dr. GEIGER that most of the dentists he knew would be anti so far as this bill was concerned but he did agree to enlist his own staff and to mail a financial contribution to the Committee through Dr. GEIGER. (u)

On June 6, 1946 BARNEY JOSEPHSON, subject of an Internal Security - C investigation and the owner and operator of the nightclub CAFE SOCIETY, DOWNTOWN in New York City, contacted Dr. WEINSTEIN and a conversation ensued pertaining to personal matters. (u)

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On June 10, 1946 this informant advised that an ~~AL~~ ROBBINS (phonetic), who is connected with the WATER FRONT SECTION of the COMMUNIST PARTY in New York City, advised Dr. WEINSTEIN that his job fell through and that he would visit Dr. WEINSTEIN the following day at 4:00 P. M. (u)

On May 7, 1946 [REDACTED] b1

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The following is a result of a mail cover placed on the office of Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN, 20 East 53rd Street, New York, New York:

On May 11, 1946 a letter was received from the AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR RUSSIAN RELIEF, formerly RUSSIAN WAR RELIEF, INCORPORATED. (u)

On May 22, 1946 a letter was received from the AMERICAN RELIEF FOR GREEK DEMOCRACY, 152 West 42nd Street, New York, New York. (u)

On May 23, 1946 a letter was received from the DENTAL TECHNICIANS SOCIETY, Chapter 101, FAECT - CIO, 13 Astor Place, New York, New York. (u)

On May 23, 1946 a letter was received from the AMERICAN SOVIET MEDICAL SOCIETY, 58 Park Avenue, New York, New York. (u)

On May 27, 1946 a letter was received from the AMERICAN YOUTH FOR DEMOCRACY, 150 Nassau Street, New York, New York. (u)

On June 3, 1946 a letter was received from Mrs. M. WINTER, 1449 Collingwood, Detroit 6, Michigan. This individual is the wife of the known leader of the Communist Party in the State of Michigan. (u)

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The following information was obtained from Confidential Informant [REDACTED] whose identity is known to the Bureau and who is in a position to observe the activities taking place at the home of Dr. WEINSTEIN and his wife in Stamford, Connecticut, and who is also in a position to advise of the contacts made by Dr. WEINSTEIN, his wife and visitors at the home in Stamford: b1

On May 4, 1946 ISABEL JOSEPHSON, wife of BARNEY JOSEPHSON, subject of an Internal Security - C investigation, contacted LENORE WEINSTEIN, wife of Dr. WEINSTEIN. This informant further advised that on that date MARJORIE CHODOROV, who is the sister of EDWARD CHODOROV and who is also known to be a member of the Executive Board of the JOINT ANTI-FASCIST REFUGEE COMMITTEE, was a guest at the home of Dr. WEINSTEIN and his wife at Stamford, Connecticut. (S)(u)

On April 29, 1946 this informant advised that LENORE WEINSTEIN was going to the Mt. Sinai Hospital, New York City, for a minor operation. This informant advised that on April 30, 1946 LENORE WEINSTEIN was in fact operated on at the Mt. Sinai Hospital. This informant advised that LENORE WEINSTEIN returned to her home on May 2, 1946 and that the operation was successful. (S)(u)

On May 16, 1946 LENORE WEINSTEIN advised an unknown woman friend of hers that she would contact BARNEY JOSEPHSON, a friend of hers, and have him intercede with the contact he had on the Board of Trustees of Columbia University in order to assist this unknown woman's son, PHILIP, in gaining admittance to Columbia University. (S)(u)

On May 18, 1946 Dr. HAROLD AARON, subject of an Internal Security - C investigation, contacted LENORE WEINSTEIN. At that time LENORE stated she would be in to see him at his office on Wednesday of that week for a physical examination. At that time she advised that her husband, ABE, complained that he had a pain on his left side and he was worried about his heart, so that he would be in to see the Doctor on Monday. Dr. AARON advised that he and his family were living in Weston, Connecticut and that he himself was there weekends. (S)(u)

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On May 19, 1946 LENORE WEINSTEIN sent the following night letter through Western Union to JOHN WEBER, Hollywood, California:

"Jack Lichtenfeld very close boyhood friend now my accountant, just arrived California. Staying ten days but wants to see you. Make date when he calls and be very friendly. Love Linda Rits," signed, "Abe."

JOHN WEBER is a brother of Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN and resides in Hollywood, California. (X)(u)

On May 25, 1946 ADELE LEVINE, a friend of LENORE WEINSTEIN's, contacted LENORE. A discussion took place at that time concerning President Harry Truman's speech on the night before. In this conversation LENORE stated that in her opinion JOHN L. LEWIS is a Fascist and is holding out on the miners. She said that ABE knew the condition of the miners because he had worked with them in Ohio. ADELE stated that her husband was ready to join the Party last night he was so mad at Truman's speech. (X)(u)

On May 26, 1946 this informant advised that NICK CONTE, movie actor, spoke with LENORE WEINSTEIN, stating that he hoped to see the WEINSTEINS real soon. He stated that ABE had mentioned the possibility of going to Quebec in the near future. (X)(u)

On this same date the informant advised that ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN contacted his brother, JOE WEINSTEIN, and a discussion took place concerning business. During this discussion ABE told his brother JOE that he had borrowed \$5,000 from BARNEY JOSEPHSON and that he intended to pay it back with the money JOE would get from his new partnership transaction. He also stated that JOE had recently been served with a summons for non-payment of a bill and for this reason he had to go to court. (X)(u)

On May 29, 1946 this informant advised that LENORE WEINSTEIN told a friend of hers that MARJORIE CHODOROV was going to get married on the following day at the WEINSTEIN's in Stamford, Connecticut. (X)(u)

This same informant advised on this date that JOSEPH ROBERTS, who is a functionary in the State Communist Party in Connecticut and who was formerly connected with the Communist Party in Brooklyn, New York, was staying at the home of Dr. WEINSTEIN and that while there he was contacted by

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a known Communist, AL GREEN. At that time JOE ROBERTS told AL GREEN that he wants the latter to turn over his records to him, JOE ROBERTS. JOE ROBERTS told AL that he and MICHAEL RUSSO were going to New York on Sunday. They arranged to meet on the following Sunday evening. JOSEPH ROBERTS, at that time, invited AL GREEN to a meeting in New York to take place at 1.00 P. M. at the HOTEL CAPITOL. (u)

On May 29, 1946 JOSEPH ROBERTS was contacted by EDWARD B. MICHAELS, Chairman of the STAMFORD COMMUNIST PARTY, while ROBERTS was still staying at the home of Dr. WEINSTEIN. They discussed attending a meeting on the West Side in Stamford that evening. JOE advised that he intended to attend the meeting and MICHAELS stated that his wife ROSE would attend for him. (u)

On May 30, 1946 this informant advised that MARJORIE CHODOROV was married on that day to Captain RADIN (phonetic.) (u)

On June 2, 1946 LEONARD FARMER, Communist Party member from New London, Connecticut, contacted the home of Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN and left a message with Dr. WEINSTEIN's brother, MORRIS WEINSTEIN, for him to ascertain if ABE would be free to meet with some medical students in New Haven on Thursday of that week. (u)

On June 6, 1946 this informant advised that LENORE WEINSTEIN sent a night letter through Western Union to JOHN WEBER, Hollywood, California, which stated, "Reminder today Mamma's birthday. Love all of you," signed, "Morris." The MORRIS who signed this letter is undoubtedly MORRIS WEINSTEIN, brother of Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN, who resides with the Doctor at Stamford, Connecticut. (u)

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